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## Chain stores take Amstrad

Rumbelows is to stock Amstrad's sub-£200 micro in its 380 stores, but W.H. Smith has no plans to put it on the shelves.

The new computer, using the new MSX standard shared by several major Japanese makers, is due to be officially launched next week.

The price has not been finally decided but it will include a keyboard and tape deck in one unit and a green screen monitor and power supply in another. A colour monitor will cost £50 extra.

It will have 64K of RAM, a Z80B processor running at a fast 6MHz and a baud rate switchable between 2,400 and 300.

Rumbelows already stocks the Spectrum, VIC-20,  
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## 'Stamp out counterfeiters'

One of the first acts of a new trade association of software distributors will be to draw up a code of practice to protect customers, dealers and software houses.

Chairman Bob Simpson, of PCS Distribution, said: "There are one or two people coming into the market whose form of trading is not wholly acceptable."

"So the Guild of Software Distributors has been formed to  
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Win as many gold medals as you can. That's the challenge in one of four new games just out from CRL. Olympics, an arcade game called Orpheus, an arcade-adventure titled Great Detective and another arcade game, Pandamonia, all cost £5.95 for the Spectrum. Test Match, for the BBC, and Omega Run, for the Commodore 64, cost £7.95 and were originally launched for the Spectrum.

*CRL, 9 Kings Yd, Carpenter's Rd, London E15 2HD*

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Wood Green School, Witney, Oxon, is holding its second South of England Personal Computer Fair on June 10.

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Computer Games is offering a free tape deck, usual price £39, with the £150 Sord M5 computer.

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Spectrum peripherals, the Microdrive and Interface 1, go on sale through retailers — including W.H. Smith, Boots and Menzies — this month at £49.95 each. Cartridges cost £4.95.

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Oric is offering a £60 upgrade ROM to Oric 1 users this month. The new 101 ROMs, for 16K or 48K models, are used in Oric's new Atmos. Oric has also denied a report that the 48K Atmos was being recalled to replace the ROM, or any other chip. Oric owners who want the upgrade ROM are being asked to send their computer with £60, but without power supply or leads, to:

*Oric Assembly Unit 1,  
Hampton Farm Industrial Estate,  
Hampton Rd West,  
Hanworth, Middx*

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Timebomb, an arcade game for the Spectrum, incorporates speech for those with the Currah Micro Speech unit. It costs £5.95 and is by CDS.

*CDS, 10 Westfield Cl, Tickhill,  
Doncaster, S. Yorks DN1 9LA*

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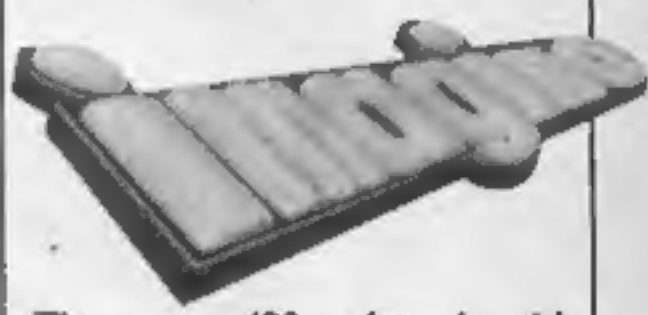
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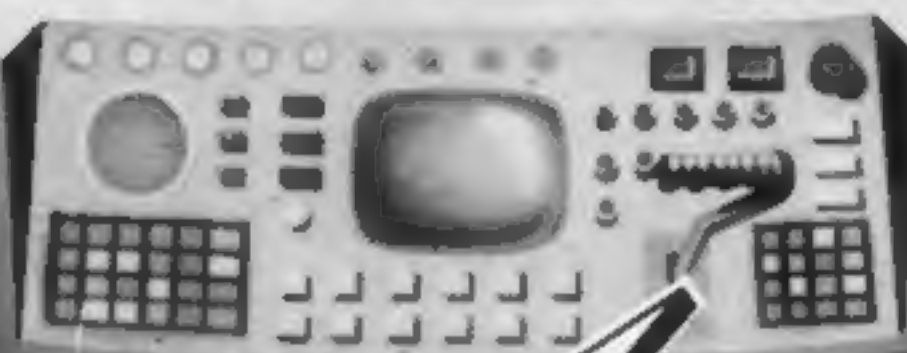
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From front page

establish a code of practice. "We are not here just to sell to retailers and leave them to it. They need after-sales service." He said there had been one or two cases of firms selling counterfeit products to shops and then disappearing, leaving the dealers to face the consequences. Mr Simpson said: "We don't want people buying or selling counterfeit products. It's not only illegal, it's also damaging the reputations of software

### 'Prices up again' at Imagine

Prices of Imagine software are almost certain to go back up to £5.50, cancelling a £1.55 price cut.

Dealers and distributors, fearing a price war, reacted strongly when the drop was first announced.

Imagine was making a final decision as HCW was going to press. But operations director Bruce Everiss said: "It's almost 100 per cent certain it will be £5.50."

Pressed for a reason, he said: "We have decided to toe the line with the industry. As long as we get the sales it's not a reluctant decision."

Nick Alexander, chairman of the Guild of Software Houses, said: "It's absolutely ludicrous. I'm stunned. I'm glad to see the prices are going back up and that sanity has been restored."

"I'm sorry that all this furore has taken place. The confusion has not done anyone any good."

"Our members thought it was something that would go away and it has done so. The worry was that everyone was going to panic and slash their prices, causing a cash-flow problem."

And Bob Simpson, of PCS Distribution, said: "The price drop was a mistake. In the short term it can be attractive but in the long term it's not good for the business."

Imagine, whose latest game, Pedro, has entered the charts, planned its new price for its existing titles plus two new releases, BBC Bill and Cosmic Cruiser.

But future games will cost £15-£19. The first two at these prices will be Bandersnatch and Cyclapse for the Spectrum and the Commodore 64. Although still on cassette, they will be boxed along with other items essential for playing the games.

houses, distributors and retailers."

The code of practice would ensure that guild members supplied goods of acceptable quality.

Mr Simpson said GOSD had a dialogue with the Guild of Software Houses and the Computer Trade Association. Chairman of the guild is Clive Digby-Jones, managing director of Websters, whose customers include Boots.

Membership of the association includes Tiger, Lightning, Prism, Limetree, Express, Pilonmist and Leisure Soft.

*Guild of Software Distributors, c/o PCS Distribution, Unit 6, Scotshaw Brook, Branch Rd, Lower Darwen, Lancs BB3 0PR*

### Amstrad

From front page

Commodore 64, Sharp 700 and the new Oric Atmos.

Buyer Steve Dowdle said: "We are looking at other models — we may look at Acorn, you never know."

Is there room for another computer? Mr Dowdle said: "Last year there was a lack of supply and this year doesn't seem as if it's going to be any different. It's now a problem of the availability of chips and Amstrad seems to have the buying power."

Industry sources say there have been 250,000 advance orders for Amstrad's Taiwan-made computer.

Stewart Binnie, merchandise controller for W.H. Smith, said: "We are happy with our range at the moment. We have plans for later in the year but they do not include Amstrad."

The industry believes that Amstrad's computer will do well in the company's traditional outlets for its hi-fi audio products. Amstrad has formed a company called Amsoft to produce software for its computer and has approached a number of independent software companies.

### Briefly

Silversoft has launched a database for the BBC micro which will work with View, Acorn's word processing program, if needed. Viewbase will cost £24.99 for disc and manual and Silversoft says it can store 1,500 records on a LOOK disc and sort 1,000 records in 90 seconds. *Silversoft, 271-273 King St, London W6 9LZ*

### Winners

The solution to our Quicksilver spot the difference competition:

- 2 parts missing from helmet
- Screw missing from upper left
- Band omitted above left elbow
- Part missing from chess piece
- Two lines missing from lower part of body
- Part of bush on right missing
- Colour different on chess piece on right of board
- Bolt at right armput changed
- Upright missing from white chess piece

Winners of £25-worth of vouchers: James Blair, Lancs; W. Belle, Birmingham; F.A. Beale, Dorset; D.B. Burke, Gwynedd; Mike Chippington, Berks; Michael Collett, Hendon; Mark Crowley, Herts; John Considine, N. Humbs; Suzanne Cotton, Ipswich; Keith Crozier, Scotland; Tommy Cunningham, Ireland; Ian Fletcher, Dorset; C.M. Gallagher, Northants; Satpal Grewal, Edmonton; Christopher Hall, N. Ireland; R.J. Hall, Derbyshire; Michael Hawton, Devon; Peter Hewett, Penge; A. Horrell, Bristol; Gary Jackson, N. Humbs; Terry John, W. Glam; Roger Knight, E. Sussex; Carol Lenz, Kirkcudbrightshire; Barry Llewellyn, Romford; Paul Loynes, W. Mids; David MacKenzie, Letchworth; John Middlemas,

Glasgow; Stuart Mitchell, Aldershot; Bryan Moiser, Hull; D. Nagle, Leigh-on-Sea; Andrew Norwood, Berks; A.C. Rowstron, Leeds; Martin Rowe, W. Sussex; Robert Stobie, Bolton; P. Shepherd, Notts; Michael Simcock, Stockport; Peter Wallace, Polegate; A.J. Willey, Newcastle-upon-Tyne; Stephen Weed, Bradford; Robert Wylie, Argyll. The prizes have been despatched.

A motherboard for the Spectrum is being launched at £14.95 this month by Currah. It adds two slots for peripherals, protects the Spectrum's edge connector and several can be stacked.

*Currah, Graythorp Industrial Estate, Hartlepool, Cleveland*

Phoenix sent a man dressed as a wizard to Home Computing Weekly with its latest two-tape game, The Sorcerer's Apprentice. Like other Phoenix products, players have to master an arcade game to discover the running code and clues to an adventure.

*Phoenix, 116 Marsh Rd, Pinner, Middx*

Cylindrical Software has produced an anagram-generating program, called Anagrams, for the BBC micro, costing £3.95.

*Cylindrical, 3/177 College Rd, Moseley, Birmingham B13 9LJ*

Teachers are being invited to an Educational Computing and Software Fair on June 18 and 19 at John Taylor Teachers' Centre, Headingley La, Leeds LS6 1AA

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## COMPETITION

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Four programmers — along with a team of musicians and graphic artists — have taken an idea by Imagine chairman Dave Lawson and turned it into a game which will test your skill and dexterity.

Cosmic Cruiser will be available for any Spectrum, Commodore 64, Dragon and BBC computers.

And we've got 100 for each micro to give away.

Cosmic Cruiser, which can be played with joystick or keyboard, is bound to hit the best-seller charts fast. And you could win one absolutely free.

Here's a taste of the scenario from Imagine:

‘A raiding party from the Rallom Empire has taken over one of earth's far-flung space stations. The only earth craft in the vicinity is an out-dated cosmic cruiser... and you are the pilot. A priority signal sends you on what could turn out to be a suicidal mission. You have been ordered to save the space station crew at all costs. As you hurtle toward your destiny a daring plan forms in your mind. The only chance you have is to use your exterior laser cannon to blast open the station portals, then, by making use of your body propulsion unit, you will have to pluck the crewmen from the station and transport them back to your cruiser. Your plan requires split-second timing and nerves of steel. As you transport your ward back to the cruiser you must make snap decisions. If you use your hand laser the blast will blow the crewman into space. Can you get back to your laser cannon in time to blast the Rallom fighters? Or will you have to secure the rescued crewman to a nearby satellite to allow you to move more quickly? You see the space station in the distance, the adrenalin pumps through your body... will you succeed?’

# 400 prizes: win Cosmic Cruiser from



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Ah Diddums	Zzoom
Jumping Jack	Frantic
Caicha Snatcha	Stonkers
Bewitched	Alchemist
Cosmic Cruiser	Pedro

Send your entry to Imagine Competition, Home Computing Weekly, No.1 Golden Square, London W1R 3AB.

Closing date is first post on Tuesday April 24, 1984. Senders of the first 100 correct entries opened at random for each of the four computers will win the prizes. They will arrive from Imagine within 28 days of the results appearing in Home Computing Weekly.

### The rules

Entries will not be accepted from employees of Argus Specialist Publications, Imagine Software and Alabaster Passmore & Sons. This restriction also applies to employees' families and agents of the companies. The rules include the guidance in the How to Enter section. The editor's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

## Imagine Competition

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### How to enter

Study the word square and mark all the Imagine titles you find with a ball-point or semi-opaque felt-tip pen. Complete the coupon fully and clearly — if you are a winner it will be used as a label — and send word square and coupon to us.

**Important:** you must write on the back of your envelope the number of titles you found and the computer you own.

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The software titles in the word square are drawn from this list of all Imagine's games:

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## BEST SELLERS

### Top Ten programs for the Dragon 32

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|----|--------------------------|---------------|
| 1  | Chuckie Egg              | A&F (-)       |
| 2  | Kriegstiel               | Beyond (-)    |
| 3  | North Sea Oil            | Shards (-)    |
| 4  | Chocolate Factory        | Minitis (-)   |
| 5  | Pedro                    | Imagine (-)   |
| 6  | Mystery of the Java Star | Shards (-)    |
| 7  | Eight Ball               | Microdeal (3) |
| 8  | Ughi                     | Softtek (2)   |
| 9  | Up Periscope             | Beyond (-)    |
| 10 | Hungry Horice            | M.House (6)   |

### Top Ten programs for the VIC-20

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|----|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1  | Flight 015              | Ferranti<br>Davenport (-) |
| 2  | Crazy Kong              | Interceptor (2)           |
| 3  | Emmet Attack            | CBM (-)                   |
| 4  | Snooker                 | Visions (-)               |
| 5  | Choc-o-bloc             | Paramount (-)             |
| 6  | Snowman and Maths maze  | CBM (-)                   |
| 7  | Wizard and the Princess | M.House (1)               |
| 8  | M.L.B.A.T.E.T.          | Llamasoft (-)             |
| 9  | Jetpac                  | Ultimate (6)              |
| 10 | The Count               | Commodore (-)             |

### Top Ten programs for the ZX81

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|----|-------------------|----------------|
| 1  | Crazy Kong        | PSS (4)        |
| 2  | Android           | Quicksilva (-) |
| 3  | Skramble          | Quicksilva (-) |
| 4  | Defenders         | Quicksilva (-) |
| 5  | Invaders          | Quicksilva (6) |
| 6  | Flight Simulation | Sinclair (1)   |
| 7  | VU-File           | Sinclair (-)   |
| 8  | VU-Calc           | Sinclair (-)   |
| 9  | Hopper            | PSS (5)        |
| 10 | Football Manager  | Addictive (2)  |

Compiled by Websters. Figures in brackets are last week's positions

## Top 30

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|----|------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1  | Jet Set Willy          | Software Projects | Spectrum (19)       |
| 2  | Manic Miner            | Software Projects | Spectrum (1)        |
| 3  | 3D Ant Attack          | Quicksilva        | Spectrum (3)        |
| 4  | Hunchback              | Ocean             | Spectrum/CBM 64 (3) |
| 5  | Atic Atac              | Ultimate          | Spectrum (4)        |
| 6  | Chinese Juggler        | Ocean             | CBM 64 (9)          |
| 7  | The Hobbit             | M.House           | Spectrum (6)        |
| 8  | Eskimo Eddie           | Ocean             | Spectrum (12)       |
| 9  | Bear Bovver            | Artic             | Spectrum (7)        |
| 10 | Bugs Boo (The Flea)    | Quicksilva        | Spectrum (11)       |
| 11 | Snooker                | Visions           | VIC-20 (14)         |
| 12 | Chuckie Egg            | A&F               | Spectrum (10)       |
| 13 | Lunar Jetman           | Ultimate          | Spectrum (8)        |
| 14 | Hobbit                 | M.House           | CBM 64 (17)         |
| 15 | Frogger                | Microdeal         | Dragon (13)         |
| 16 | The King               | Microdeal         | Dragon (15)         |
| 17 | Colossus               | CDS               | CBM 64 (26)         |
| 18 | Pedro                  | Imagine           | Spectrum (22)       |
| 19 | Trashman               | New Generation    | Spectrum (30)       |
| 20 | Chequered Flag         | Psion             | Spectrum (19)       |
| 21 | Quasar                 | Voyager           | CBM 64 (28)         |
| 22 | Hunchback              | Superior          | BBC (24)            |
| 23 | Zzoom                  | Imagine           | Spectrum (23)       |
| 24 | Cuthbert in the Jungle | Microdeal         | Dragon (20)         |
| 25 | Blade Alley            | PSS               | Spectrum (-)        |
| 26 | Harrier Attack         | Durrell           | Spectrum (21)       |
| 27 | Penetrator             | M.House           | Spectrum (25)       |
| 28 | Trooper Truck          | Rabbit            | CBM 64 (-)          |
| 29 | Crazy Kong             | Interceptor       | CBM 64 (27)         |
| 30 | Arcadia                | Imagine           | VIC-20 (25)         |

Compiled by PCS Distribution (0254 691211) from a sample of 40 dealers in the U.K. and Northern Ireland. Chart is for sales in the fortnight ended March 23.

### Top Ten programs for the Spectrum

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|----|-------------------|----------------|
| 1  | Chequered Flag    | Psion (1)      |
| 2  | Atic Atac         | Ultimate (2)   |
| 3  | Scuba Dive        | Durrell (10)   |
| 4  | Ant Attack        | Quicksilva (5) |
| 5  | Lunar Jetman      | Ultimate (4)   |
| 6  | Jetpac            | Ultimate (-)   |
| 7  | Flight Simulation | Psion (3)      |
| 8  | The Hobbit        | M.House (8)    |
| 9  | Stonkers          | Imagine (-)    |
| 10 | Pool              | CDS (-)        |

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### Top Ten programs for the Commodore 64

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|----|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1  | Manic Miner         | Software Projects (2) |
| 2  | Colossus Chess      | CDS (-)               |
| 3  | Hideous Bill        | Virgin (-)            |
| 4  | Crazy Kong          | Interceptor (-)       |
| 5  | Intro to Basic Pt 1 | CBM (-)               |
| 6  | Outback             | Paramount (-)         |
| 7  | Bumping Buggies     | Bubble Bus (-)        |
| 8  | Basic Adventure     | Honeyfold (-)         |
| 9  | Flying Feathers     | Bubble Bus (-)        |
| 10 | Chinese Juggler     | Ocean (5)             |

Compiled by Websters. Figures in brackets are last week's positions



# A SUPERB RANGE OF GAMES SOFTWARE FOR SHARP MZ-7000 SERIES



FROGGER — £6.95

This most popular of arcade games has been totally recreated for the Sharp computer. Superb graphics and as fast as you like from beginner's level up to 'Superhuman'. Get each of four frogs over the busy motorway, then hop from boat to rail to log to crocodile and finally home sitting on a lily pad. Terrific fun.



SPACE PANIC — £7.95

How long can you survive in the multi-storey building filled with alien bugs. This machine-code programme accurately simulates the arcade game where you climb ladders and dig holes to catch the aliens then lift them in again once they are caught. The red ones must fall through one floor, the green ones, two floors and white ones, three floors. Red aliens who have time to dig themselves out get rather cross and become green PANIC!! Joy stick or keyboard control.



GALAXIANS — £7.95

A high-speed machine-code version of the popular arcade game where the massed ranks of aliens must be chased from the skies. After a few seconds they will begin to sweep and dive at you, showering you with scummy bombs as they go. The game becomes progressively more demanding as you kill more and more of the marauding aliens. Very entertaining — (most of fun!!) Joy stick or keyboard control.



BACKGAMMON — £7.95

Now available for the MZ-700, this traditional board game can now be played against the computer. Simple to follow instructions for the beginner — higher levels available for the more experienced player.



NIGHTMARE PARK — £6.95

If you have never played this type of game before, you're in for a treat. As you make your way along the intricate pathways to the exit, you are constantly given tasks to perform or games to play. Each of these must be successfully completed before you are allowed to continue. It takes a lot of doing. You must remain quick and alert at all times. A little luck is handy. Amazing graphics and sounds!!



FIGHTER COMMAND — £6.95

A mission flown completely on instruments where you are pursuing a fleet of ten enemy aircraft fleeing from you. They will show on your long range radar screen and you must manoeuvre your craft to get them within range of your missiles. If you get too near they will fire at you and warp away to safety. You only have one chance to destroy incoming missiles with your lasers.



CHESS — £9.95

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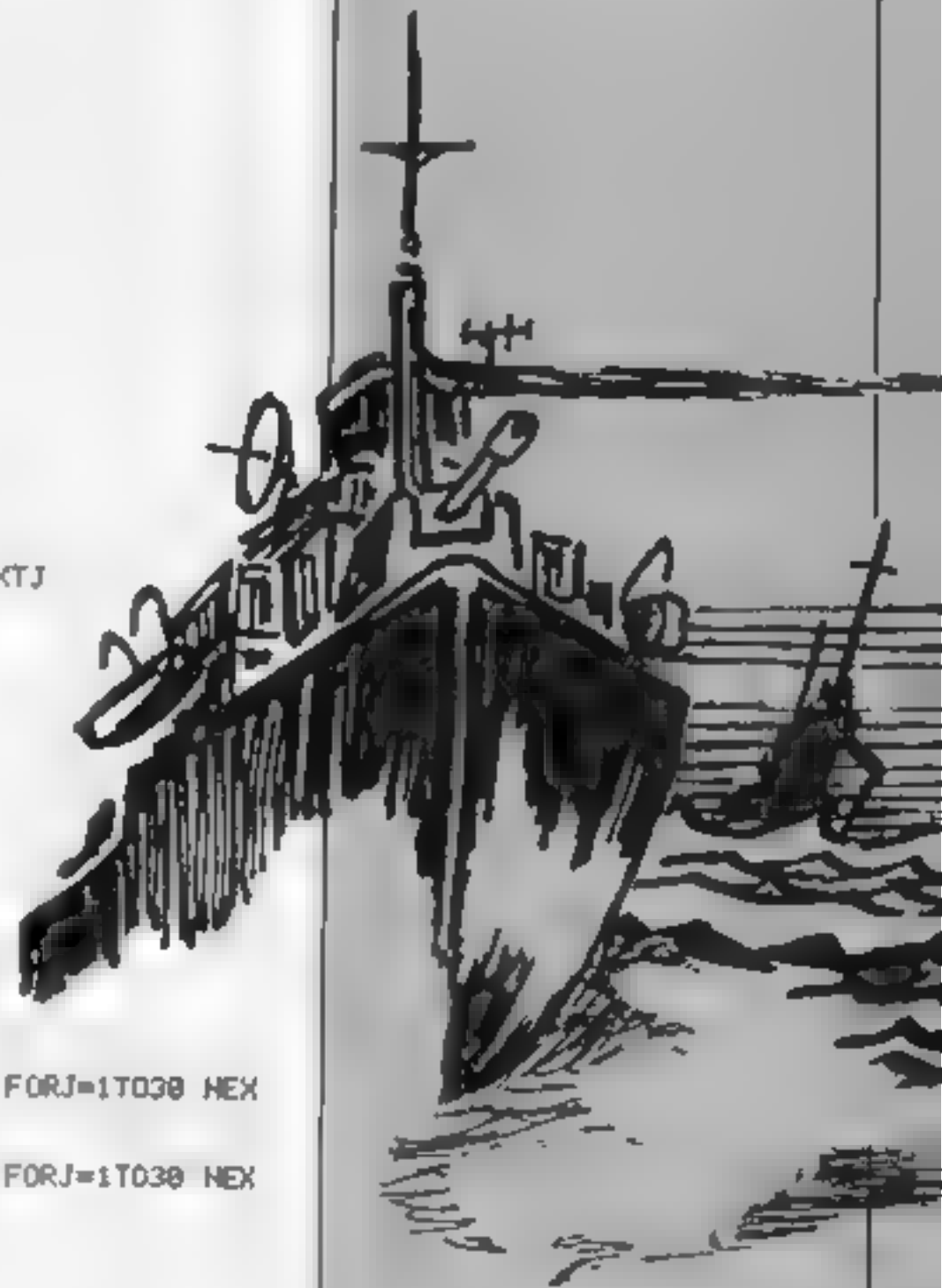


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160 SC=0 SH=10 TR=15
165 REM(CRSR DOWN)[2 CRSR RIGHT][VEL]
170 PRINT$ "TORPS"
175 REM[2 CRSR RIGHT]
180 PRINT "SHIPS"
185 REM[2 CRSR RIGHT]
190 PRINT "SCORE"
200 POKEP1+2*X 44*Y,SB
210 FORI=1TO0
220 PX%(I)=INT RND(1)*9 +1 PY%(I)=INT RND 1)*7)
230 IF1=1GOTO280
240 FORI=1TO[-1
250 IF PX%(J)=PX%(I)AND(PY%(J)=PY%(I))THENI=I-1
260 NEXTJ
270 IF(PX%(I)=1)AND(PY%(I)=7)THENI=I-1
280 NEXTI
290 GOSUB1030
300 COSUB410
310 GOSUB460
320 IFQ$="1"THENGOSUB560 SC=SC+1 GOTO290
330 IFPR=0THENGOSUB380
340 IFQ$="2"THENGOSUB670
350 IFF=2THENGOSUB970
360 IFF=3THENDX=DX*2 DY=DY*2 GOSUB970
370 GOTO290
380 FORI=1TO5 POKEV1,15 POKES2,200 FORJ=1TO200 POKEV1,15-J/20 NEXTJ
390 POKEV1,0 POKES2,0 R=INT(RND(1)*15)+1 IFR=10THEN1030
400 FORJ=1TO100*PR NEXTJ,I RETURN
405 REM(CRSR DOWN)[1 CRSR RIGHT][3 CRSR LEFT]
410 PRINT$ "TORPS" "TR"
415 REM [7 CRSR RIGHT][3 CRSR LEFT]
420 PRINT "SHIPS" "SH"
430 IFSC<0THENSC=0
435 REM [7 CRSR RIGHT][3 CRSR LEFT]
440 PRINT "SCORE" "SC"
450 IFSH=0ORTR=0THEN1030
455 REM(CRSR DOWN)[11 CRSR RIGHT][FED]
460 PRINT$ "TORPS" "SELECT"
465 REM [12 CRSR RIGHT][WHT]
470 PRINT "SHIPS" "SAIL"
475 REM [12 CRSR RIGHT]
480 PRINT "SCORE" "FIRE"
490 FORI=1TO5 POKES1,150 POKEV1 13-3*I FORJ=1TO30 NEXTJ POKEV1,0 FORJ=1TO30 NEX
TJ,I
500 POKES1,0 FORI=1TO100*PR NEXTI
510 FORI=1TO5 POKES1,230 POKEV1,13-3*I FORJ=1TO30 NEXTJ POKEV1,0 FORJ=1TO30 NEX
TJ,I
520 POKES1,0 POKEV1 0
530 FORI=1TO75*PR NEXTI
540 GETQ$ IFVAL(Q$)>20ORVAL(Q$)<1THEN490
550 RETURN
555 REM (CRSR DOWN)[RED][11 CRSR RIGHT]
560 PRINT$ "TORPS" "DIRECTION"
565 REM(WHT)[12 CRSR RIGHT][CRSR DOWN][7 CRSR LEFT][CRSR UP][2CRSR LEFT]
570 PRINT "SHIPS" "F1< F3" "F5< F7."
580 GETA$ IFAS$=""THEN530
590 IFASC(A$) >20ORASC(A$) <1THEN530
600 A=72-ASC(A$)
610 PRINTAS$
615 REM[13 CRSR RIGHT]
620 PRINT "DIRECTION" "19"
630 GETA$ IFVAL AS (10RVAL AS) >ATHEN630
640 PRINTAS$ =VAL(AS)
650 POKEP1+2*X1-44*Y1,32 POKEP1+2*X-44*Y B
660 X1=X Y1=Y RETURN
665 REM(CRSR DOWN)[11 CRSR RIGHT][RED]
670 PRINT$ "DIRECTION"
675 REM [13 CRSR RIGHT][WHT][CRSR DOWN][7 CRSR LEFT]
680 PRINT "F1< F3" "F5< F7."
690 DY=0 DX=0
700 GETA$ IFF$=""THEN700
710 IFF$=" "THENDY=1 M=3 GOTO760
720 IFF$=" "THENDY=-1 M=4 GOTO760
730 IFF$=" "THENDX=1 M=1 GOTO760
740 IFF$=" "THENDX=-1 M=2 GOTO760
750 GOTO700
760 POKEV1,5 POKES1,180
770 TR=TR-1

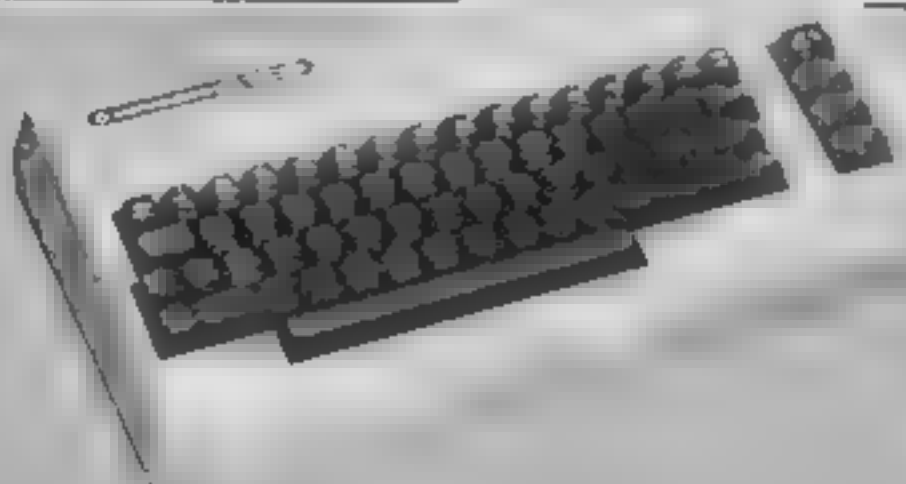
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780 F=4
790 FORI=1TO10
800 IF PY% I =0 AND PY% I =0 THEN200
810 IF PX% I =X+2*(DX)AND(PY% I =Y+2*(DY) THENF = F +1
820 NEXTI
830 FORI=1TO10
840 IF PX% I =0 AND PY% I =0 THEN200
850 IF(PX%(I)=X+D) AND (PY%(I)=Y+D) THENF = F +1
860 NEXTI
870 TI=-1
880 FORI=1TOF
890 TI=TI+2 IF TI >3THENTI=1
900 X=X+1+DY Y=Y+1+DY
910 PO=PI+2-22*Y2 PI=PEEK PO) POKE PO) TZ(M,TI)
920 POKE=1,10
930 FORI=1TO200 NEXTJ POKEPO,TZ(M,TI+1
940 FORJ=1TO200 NEXTJ POKEPO,PK F#EV1 5
950 NEXTI POKEV1 0 POKES1 0
960 RETURN
970 PO=PI+2*(X+D) -44*(Y+DY) POKEPO+30700 Z
980 POKES2 200 POKEV1,15
990 POKEPO,D1 FORI=1TO1000 NEXT POKEPO D2 FORI=1TO2000 NEXT
1000 IFINT(RND 1 *10)=5THENF=4
1010 POKEPO 34+F *(=30+F-1)*10 POKES2 0 POKEV1,0
1020 PX%(I)=0 PY%(I)=0 I=0 SH=SH+1 RETURN
1030 PR=8
1040 FOPL=1TO10
1050 IFFX% L =0ANDPY% L =0THEN1070
1060 PP=ABS(X-P) *(L) +ABS(Y-P) *(L)) IFFPR,PPTHENPR=PP
1070 NEXTL RETURN
1075 REM [HOME][CRSR DOWN][CRSR UP]
1080 PRINT "END OF GAME" END
1090 DATA39 40,41,42,43 44,45 46 47,58,59,60,61,62,63,0
PENDY.

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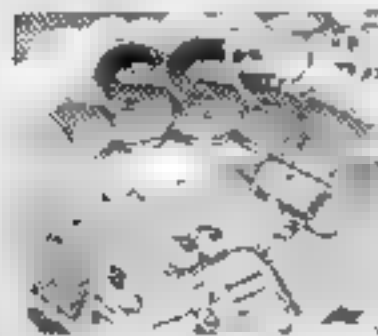
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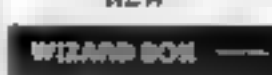
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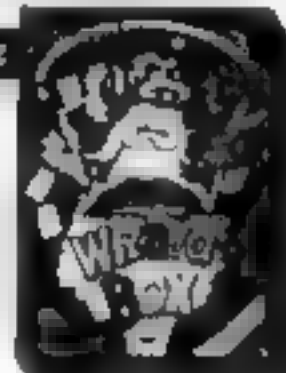
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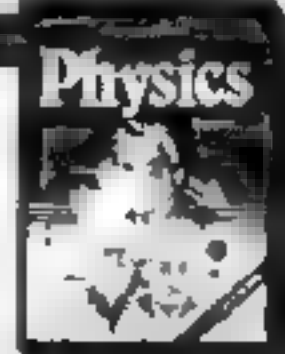
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Sometimes I feel sorry for geography. Everyone always seems to think it's about capital cities, flags, countries and rivers. It isn't! To assume you know geography because you can regurgitate endless, almost random, facts is silly. Thus educational software based on that premise is equally naive.

Having said that, this is an entertaining game. Up to four players can join in a race to amass 100 points. Questions are posed and wrong answers produce extra clues. The more clues provided, the less points

you get for a question. Add to that mystery questions and special 'no clue' questions and the result is fun. The mystery questions are particularly rotten. They come in three parts and are worth 20 points if you get them all correct. If not, you lose 20 points!

The concept of a quiz is pretty boring, as demonstrated by the Questor series from Computeristic. Thor has recognised this and much thought has obviously gone into screen presentation and sound. They're lively, imaginative and hold attention.

	<b>D.M.</b>
instructions	95%
ease of use	95%
display	95%
value for money	80%



### 3D Spell 48K Spectrum £5.95

Camel Micros, 33A Commercial Rd, Weymouth

The 3D graphics are superb, streets ahead of many so-called 3D games. A fully animated man beats around a track at your command. In the distance, a hoarding which has flashed up a word, waits to receive the correct letters. On either side of the track, closer to you, two smaller hoardings show a letter of the alphabet. Run clockwise and the letters advance towards Z, anti clockwise and the reverse happens. When you reach the letter you need, you either pause or press the S key depending on the level chosen. Getting the

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Quite a stunning visual experience and very addictive. There are four speeds and a similar number of word difficulty levels. Up to 1,000 words can be catered for. Will it teach your child to spell? No, it can't! This isn't spelling.

At best, it's word recognition and short term recall training. Even so, it's worth it. Recommended, though I wish Camel had given instructions on the inlay card as well as in the program.

	<b>D.M.</b>
instructions	75%
playability	90%
graphics	100%
value for money	90%



### German Master A & B BBC £9.95 each

Kosmos, 1 Pilgrims Close, Harlington, Beds LU5 6LX

Let's state straight away that this is a vocabulary drilling program and therefore will be derided by some as uninventive and boring. I have said the same but, in language learning, drill or rote learning has a major role.

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	<b>D.C.</b>
instructions	90%
ease of use	90%
graphics	N/A
value for money	65%



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You could write this yourself. I could recommend buying just one. Then you'd have the master programs. But to be honest, my sons found it so boring and difficult to read that I can't ever suggest that.

	<b>D.M.</b>
instructions	95%
ease of use	50%
display	16%
value for money	10%



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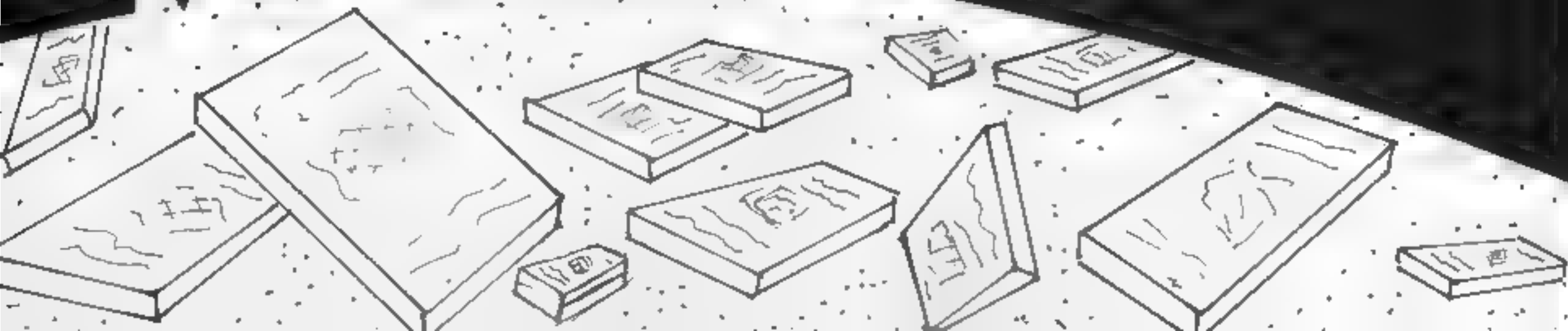
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**Molecule**  
32K BBC £6.90

Bridge, 36 Fernwood, Marple  
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The inlay may not be very striking but in fact it is one of the best I have come across. There are loads of instructions, which come in very useful. The only problem is they are in very small type and unless you have read the instructions in the program itself. They are very difficult to understand.

The program instructions are very good and tell you exactly what to do in this complicated game

A new virus is decimating the world's population. You must discover the structure of its molecule so a vaccine can be made. You do this by firing

photon rays in an 8 x 8 grid. Each time you fire different coloured markets appear. The atoms which cause these reactions are hidden within the grid. Using your results you must locate them

After three goes I managed to locate all the atoms. But, I think I was pretty lucky. I don't think this game is particularly addictive. I feel it is aimed at the more scientific. It requires a lot of concentration. At £6.90 it doesn't really compare with the better BBC software

instructions	90%
playability	50%
graphics	30%
value for money	60%



D.B.

**Sea, space  
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farm yard

**Sea Wolf**  
32K BBC £6.95

Optima, 36 St Petersgate,  
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It took me a while to decide what type of game this is. You command a submarine trying to sink shipping in order to improve your rank. You are well advised to start as a rating and work slowly up to commander

So this is a strategy game where you must weigh up the odds and decide if you are going to run or stand. You must balance the damage you have already suffered with your kills so far and energy left

It was only when I examined the screen in detail that I realised this is Star Trek on water. You have short and long range scans,

computer and damage reports and nasty enemies

Don't think, though, that it must be old hat. The game is good fun and involving with plenty of action but not all of the dexterity type. You need good reactions, but strategy counts for a great deal. The screen is particularly attractive and well detailed and, although it would have been nice to have colour, the high resolution makes up for the loss. I would like to be able to turn off the rather too realistic sound though

instructions	85%
playability	95%
graphics	90%
value for money	80%



D.C.

**Eagle**  
32K BBC £7.95

Salamander 17, Norfolk Rd.  
Brighton, Sussex BN1 3AA

A very well presented and clearly explained game. Full loading instructions are included along with a good description

You are able to move left, move right, apply thrust and activate the shield. You must guide your Eagle spacecraft through the hazards of the four moons of the planet Thru

You are a Intergalactic Geologist in search of rare trace elements. Each of the moons consists of five screens, and four iridium pods can be seen at the beginning of every screen. It is not necessary, but if they are collected a hefty bonus can be expected at the end of that

screen. One bug I have noticed is that sometimes, when you collide with a Meteor, instead of being drained of your energy it can be mistaken for a pod and you are given bonuses.

You only have the one life and that ends when shield power is exhausted. This is used up in one of two ways by operating it manually causing a steady drain or by hitting a hazard

Graphics are great, sound is sufficient, but I have played more addictive games on the

instructions	80%
playability	70%
graphics	80%
value for money	60%



M.B.

**Omega Probe**  
32K BBC £6.95  
Disc £8.95

Optima, 36 St Petersgate, Stockport SK1 1HL

There is definitely a vogue at present for 3D space shoot-up games. I'm constantly being asked if I've seen this one or that one at the local BBC club and this is another version. It has a great deal in common with Planetoid, the alien shapes being very much the same.

There is an element of speed involved which makes the game interesting rather than difficult. Clearing a sheet simply makes things faster and more difficult, there are no real surprises that I have found

The only real criticism I have is of the 3D graphics — they are

not truly 3D at all. You do appear to be flying through space in the way the background moves. But the aliens and indeed your ship are only 2D, i.e. they move left, right, up and down but not in or out of the screen with the change in size that would demand. The bullets too, only fly towards top of the screen never into it.

This is a good, fast and colourful game which is attractively priced and packaged. Disc £8.95

instructions	65%
playability	85%
graphics	80%
value for money	85%



D.C.

**Chuckie Egg**  
32K BBC £7.90

A and F, Unit 8, Canal Side  
Industrial Estate, Woodbine St  
East, Rochdale, Lancs OL16 5L B

I don't know about you, but a game based on a farmer collecting eggs without being savaged by ducks (including a crazy duck) did not sound like a worthwhile investment. But it is

The game is Kong-like, with ramps, ladders, elevators and holes to negotiate, each successive level increasing the hazards. The villainous ducks wander round eating corn and do not pay much attention to you until it's all gone. But when it is they home in and give you a nasty peck, which is fatal. The graphics are smooth and convincing. The jump feature is great, worth watching for its own

sake, though it takes a bit of practice

Control is by keyboard but you can specify the keys, always a good feature. My three year old can just about manage, and he thinks it the best thing since Postman Pat. I agree with him

I would have liked clearer instructions — it takes a few games to get the idea of what is going on and how to control it — but generally this is a well thought out novelty, just as exciting as blasting user-defined graphics

instructions	70%
playability	85%
graphics	95%
value for money	80%



N.W.



**Left, Jump**

I write to tell you about Hunchback for the 48K Spectrum.

In the second phase of Hunchback there is a rope swing, from which you (as the Hunchback) are meant to swing across, to avoid the Threatening Knight. However, as the knight climbs up the wall, if you (Hunchback) move to the extreme left of the screen and then press the jump button continuously the knight is able to walk straight through the Hunchback.

Steven Winstone-Adair,  
Brentwood, Essex

**Make a Spectrum space bar**

Alan Tomkin's article on touch-typing on the Spectrum was timely, and the tip about "thumb under" symbol-shifting was neat.

However, if there is one thing the typist needs on the keyboard it is a space bar. This is simple to improvise and only costs pennies. I am surprised it has received so little attention. Here's my solution:

- I like my keyboard raked and blocked up so that the keys are at the same height as the cassette recorder keys. This means a strip of wood under the front edge of the keyboard, ready for fixtures.

- You need a piece of stiff wire or rod. Mine came from the disposable coat-hanger supplied by a dry-cleaner. Make an eye in one end to take a No. 6 "cheese-head" wood screw, and bend the wire as follows, using "turtle" directions seen from your point of view at the keyboard:

Right (horizontally), 60mm, toward (you), 10mm; up 45mm; from (you) 10mm; right 115mm; up 5 mm, away 35mm

- Cut a scrap of hardboard, the same size as the SPACE key and lay it on the key, upside down.

- Lay the end of the wire on this pad, and screw the eye to the wood block. It will be roughly under the CAPS SHIFT, but minor adjustments may be needed. Secure the wire-end to the hardboard pad with a blob of Loctite strip.

- Cut another strip of hardboard, 90 x 15 mm, and fasten it on top of the wire so that it is roughly in

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front of the keys C to M. Decorate to taste.

- I tried mousing two SHIFT pads in the same way, but came to the conclusion that it was not worth it.

- All the items are held in place with blobs of Bluetack to stop relative displacement.

- Typing is helped if the ear lead is switched to an old transistor radio, going direct to the amplifier for a good "click". Worth the extra battery.

C. R. Oswin, Christchurch, Dorset

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**How I get ideas**

I was amused to see in your review of Transylvanian Tower for the Commodore 64 (HCW 52) that you gave it 3030%. I don't think Transylvanian's graphics are really up to that standard!

I own a 48K Spectrum which I have had since January '83 about five months after it was launched. At that time there was still only a relatively small amount of software of which I chose Galaxians and Caterpillar (spelt the right way). Galaxians has stood up quite well to most of the competition, though not the same class as the Ultimate and Software Projects.

It is almost impossible to devise an original game now as there must be over 300 games for the Spectrum, if not 500. Ultimate still manages to produce new, original games and claims to have hundreds more in reserve, which seems to point to Ultimate having some sort of system in devising ideas.

I take a dictionary and choose a random word and try to derive a game idea from this. It's quite

successful, but I seem to have chosen every word in the dictionary by now.

Atic Atac spawned more castle-like games, such as Alchemist. I was disappointed by your Atic Atac rating. I think it was well worth five stars. I've managed to complete it with 99 per cent. You might well give this game 3030% for graphics. Scuba Dive looks very interesting. I have never seen any Durell games but I'm told Scuba Dive has excellent graphics.

Finally, I think your magazine is well constructed and I never miss it. I'm glad to see you still doing articles on the Spectrum.

Gareth Treves, Watford, Herts

*You probably guessed that "3030%" was a typographical error!*

**Top scores?**

I read in HCW 38 that Julian Showercross had a record on TI Invaders of 16,150. I would like to inform you about my record — 30,370 on the first and 21,170 on the second level. I have also scored 39,000 on Parsec and 54,050 on Munch Man.

I agree with what Julian says in HCW 38 that the TI joystick is uncomfortable and has slow reaction.

Orn Kristjánsson  
Reykjavik, Iceland

**They work**

Congratulations on your fab computer magazine. I have only purchased one, but my friends say how good the others were. The good thing about your magazine is that the programs work. Most programs for the Spectrum don't work, but I am pleased that yours do. We could do with some more listings of the same quality. I look forward to your next edition.

J. Said  
Bitterne, Soton

**Whoops!**

Our reviews of two programs from Salamander Software quoted incorrect prices. Graphs for the BBC and Graphic System for the Electron both cost £9.95.

They were given favourable reviews and are published by Salamander Software, 17 Norfolk Rd, Brighton, East Sussex BN1 3AA.

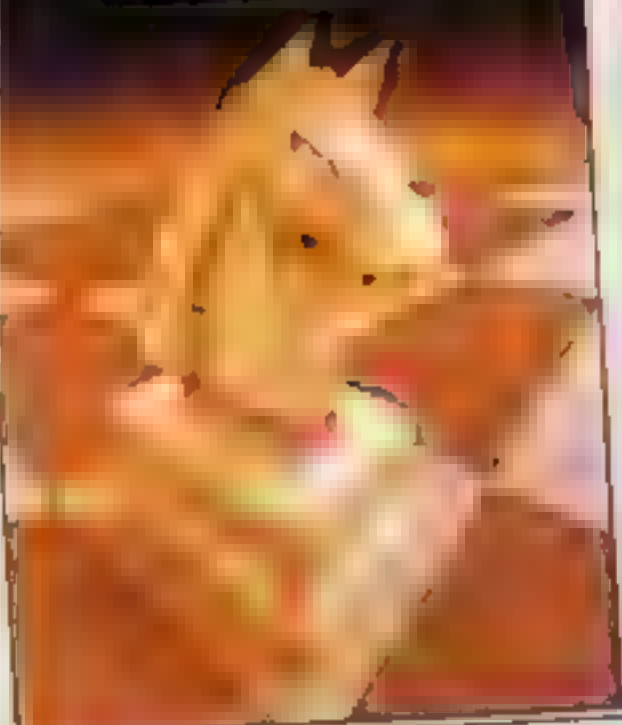


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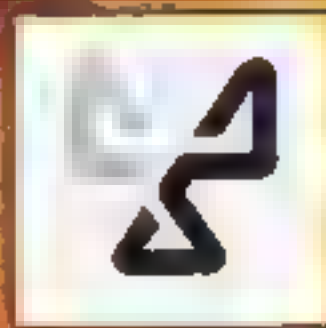
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Using the *Composer* section, you design a screenful of shapes which becomes the basis for your animated sequences. Then, by telling the computer how to manipulate the shapes, you can create animation. Once created, you can also get the shapes to move across the screen using the joystick. A bunch of shapes are provided for you on the program disc so that you can see some examples of what is possible before trying it yourself. Using the built-in program graphics editor you can create anything from simple little box-like characters to animated characters that can rival anything out of the Disney studios.

You can change the speed, colour, brightness, and perspective of your creations very easily, and record your results, as well as any changes, on the disc. You can also make sounds to accompany the action. After you create the actors you also can create the background.

Although each "movie" is limited to 300 frames, movies can be linked for more playing time. The program handles all user errors with ease and the documentation is quite good. By using this program it is possible to literally produce an animated movie in an afternoon, with extremely high quality results. Best of all, it costs only \$60. *Movie Maker* is available from Interactive Picture Systems, 11480 Sunset Hills Road, Reston, Virginia VA 22090. Phone (703) 437-8900.

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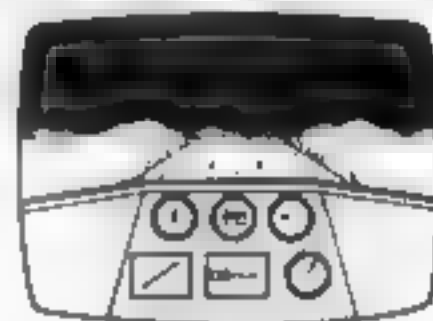
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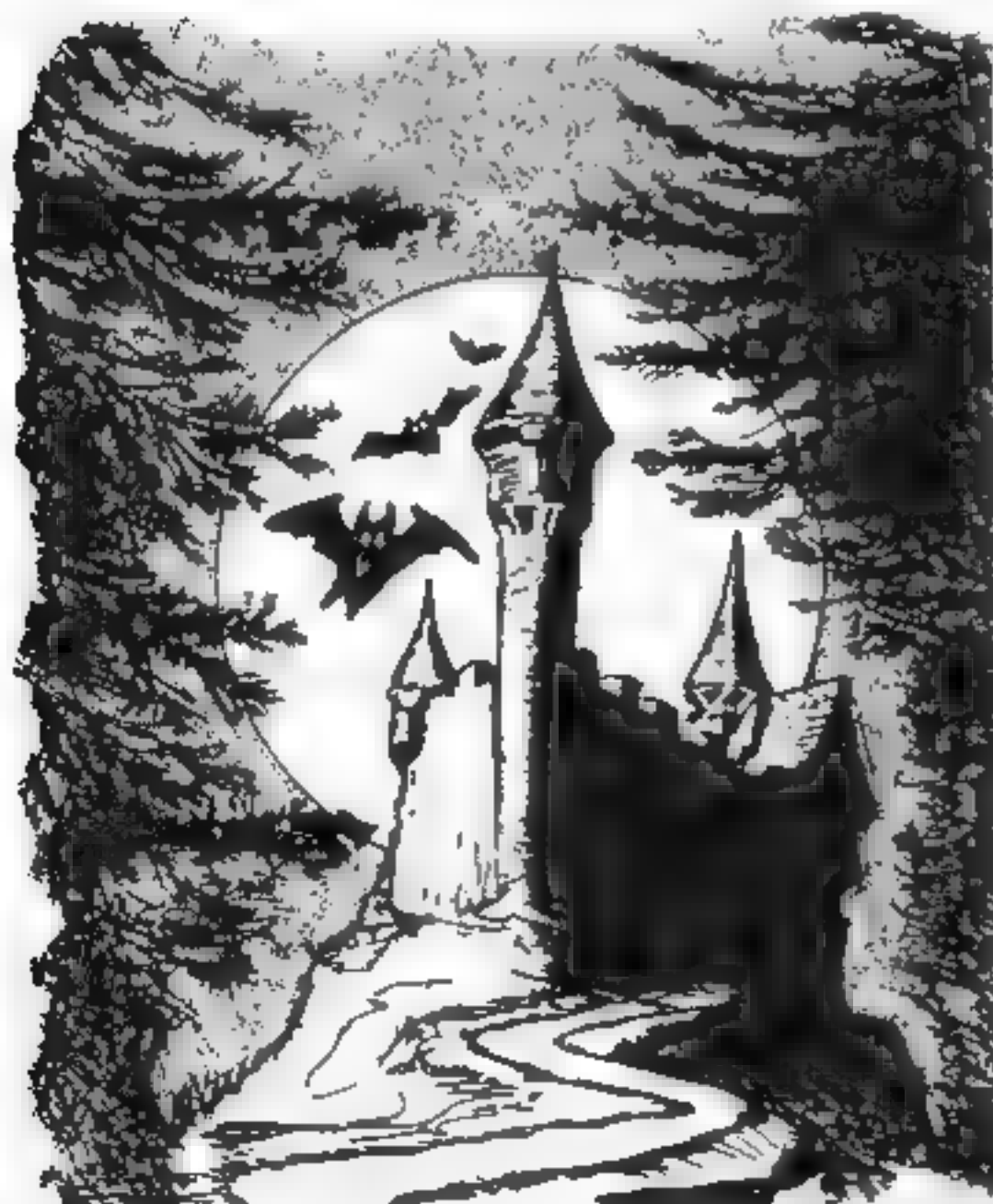
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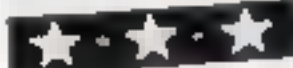
An average adventure game — no graphics, limited sound, more or less usual commands and messages, save game feature etc. One feature missing is the Help facility. If you need help you will have to send an SAE.

You are Lieutenant Roger Wilcoe parachuted into occupied France in 1941 on a dangerous mission. On landing your equipment — torch, binoculars and so on — are scattered throughout the woods. You must gather them together and then infiltrate a Chateau and steal six items relating to a new bomb and

take them back to Blighty. Quite an interesting plot.

I wandered about and recovered a few items, passing a menacing looking guard at the main entrance. At that point I wandered off into the "dark misty woods" looking for a weapon or something to bribe him with. Eventually Lt Wilcoe found himself in a cobbled courtyard and music began. Not being very cultured I didn't recognise the tune but I suppose it must have been significant. This tune carried on and on and there was nothing either Wilcoe or I could do to stop it or to continue.

instructions	80%
playability	60%
graphics	N.A.
value for money	60%



## Time Machine Atari £5

Fantastic, 15 Wymoor Cres, Brampton, Barnsley, Yorks

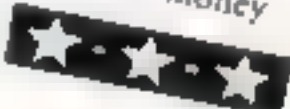
You are transported into the future and land in an unknown world. Due to a fault in your time machine you are left behind as the machine travels on to the planet Karnak. You discover an abandoned spaceship which may be able to take you in pursuit, but first you must find a way into it.

So begins an exciting adventure exploring this strange planet in search of clues. On successfully entering the spaceship you are whisked off to Karnak where your aim is to find your lost time machine. Beware the hidden dangers that mean sudden failure to your mission.

The game is addictive but once successfully completed you are left knowing all the answers. However it should be hours of fun and frustration before you solve the puzzle.

On the whole, a very interesting little package, well presented and fairly easy to understand. You will have an enjoyable time solving the clues and trying to spend as little time as possible on the red herrings littered around. Once solved, however, it is time to move on to another game.

instructions	80%
playability	60%
graphics	N.A.
value for money	70%



## Atomic Protector 32K BBC £6.95

Optima, 36 St Petersgate, Stockport SK1 1HL

A maze based game which, while it has a Pacman like playing area, has little to do with eating dots. In fact your job is to prevent the dots being eaten, hence the name. The story goes something like this. You (a lonely robot) are in charge of uranium deposits of the secret research establishment which is always being invaded by hostiles. You have only yourself, used as a battering ram, and a moveable partition with which to defend the ore. Needless to say, this makes life fairly difficult but

there are also radioactive distractors who have a limited life span and if not caught before it ends will contaminate you leading to a terminal wiring failure.

The packaging claims that the game is "fast and furious" and so it is. Unfortunately, it isn't that interesting after the first couple of sheets because, rather than having changes of aim or even graphics, it simply gets faster to the point where I haven't a chance.

Yes, you might learn to increase your score each time, but there is not that addictive something which makes me want to play it again.

instructions	55%
playability	65%
graphics	75%
value for money	55%



## Empire Electron £6.95

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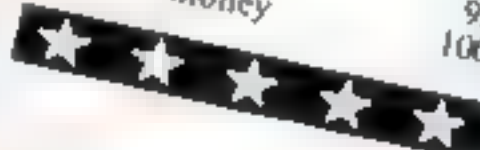
A game of strategy for one player. There are eight difficulty levels. At level eight it really taxes your brain.

The screen displays all the inhabited continents of the world. You have to choose 13 territories. A moving cursor skips from area to area. Pressing the space bar when it lands in the place you want to select stops it. All your territories are marked in green. Your foe the Elect Empire does the same and all its territories are marked in red. You each have 39 armies. You can deploy them as you wish. There are also 13 neutrals in yellow, with armies of their own.

The attack begins once all the armies have been deployed. The Empire attacks first. You can always follow the progress of your armies and of your enemy by looking at the information line at the base of the screen. If you have survived this attack you will notch up a victory.

I thoroughly enjoyed this game. The graphics are excellent and music in tune. The only irritating thing is the difficulty in following the cursor, due to lack of contrast between colours.

instructions	M.B.
playability	100%
graphics	95%
value for money	95%
	100%



## Cosmic Cruiser 48K Spectrum

Imagine, 4 St Thomas St, Liverpool L1 6BW

After Imagine's loading screen and a superb picture of two spaceships attacking a spaceman, a melodic tune announces "loading complete". Keying presents the option screen, allowing choice of keyboard or one of five makes of joystick. Music accompanies the choice, followed by an extremely fast arcade-style shoot-out game.

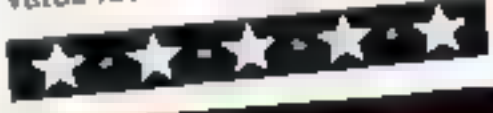
Screen bottom shows score, high score, lives, time and level. There are essentially two games in one. In the first you have to blast open hatches on a large and colourful revolving space station and rescue

colleagues inside — zapping any aliens who interfere. The second challenges you to get him back to your space cruiser, using your hand gun or laser cannon to fight off the approaching aliens. After the first few levels alien fighters also come at you with missiles.

Excellent sound, colour and graphics. A fast and addictive game requiring quick responses and a nice roll of honour in computer type. Extensive instructions include pen pictures of the programmer and the company.

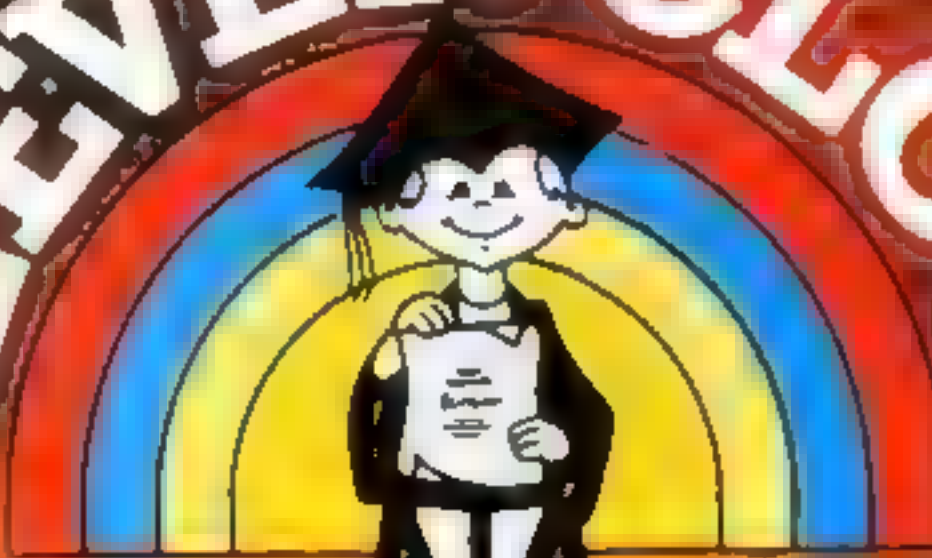
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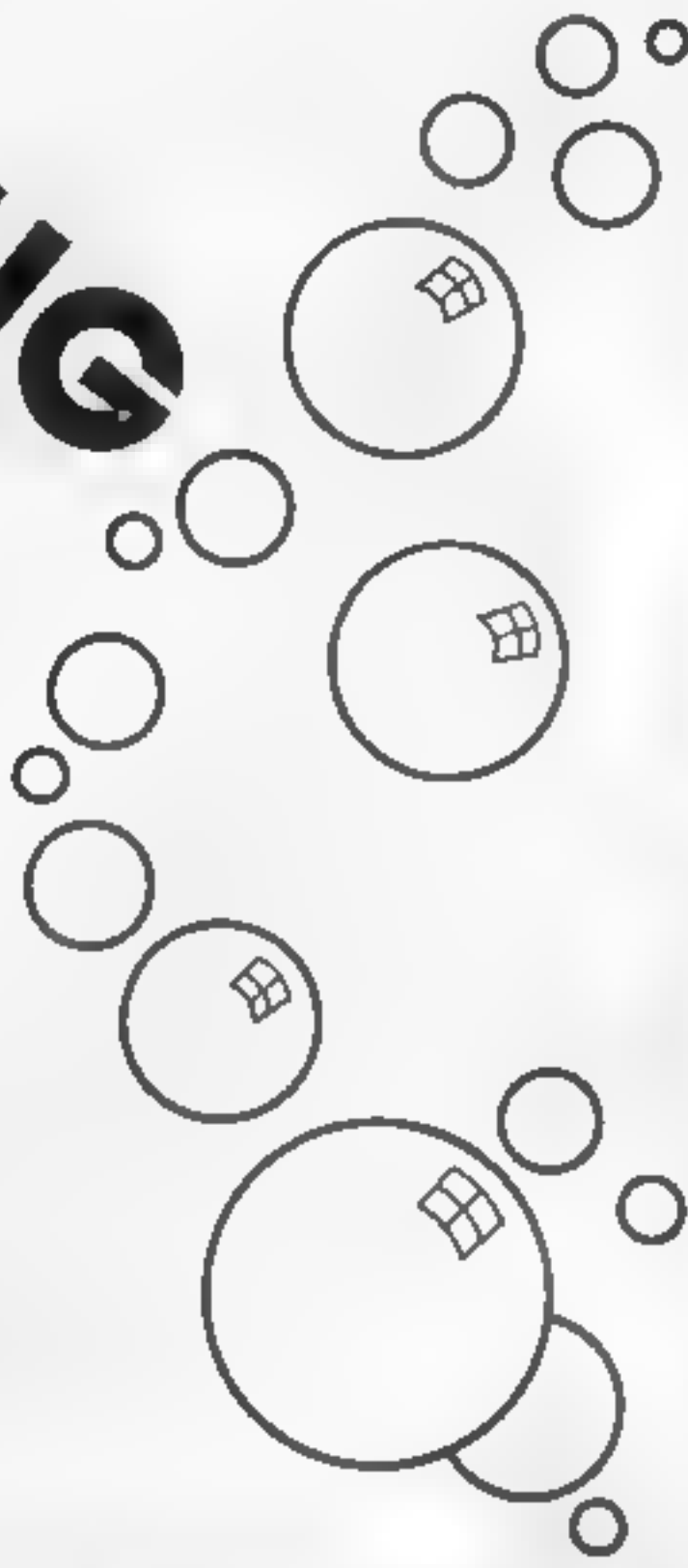


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Full instructions are included in the program.

The only part which needs explanation is the method used for player input during the game.

The INKEY function will only allow one key on the keyboard to be detected at any one time. Since there is a two player option and both use the keyboard, the IN function is used.

Array B(2,4) is set up, holding the port numbers used by IN for each player. A second array A(2,4) is set up holding the values for the keys used during play. Each port is checked for a recognised value on the player's turn and, if one is detected, the appropriate movement flag is changed (lines 70-110).

To change the key which moves player 1 up, for example, simply change the numbers in the DATA statement at line 9020.

This is a summary of all the keys used.

key	port	value	action
Q	64510	254	player 1 up
A	65022	254	player 1 down
Z	65278	251	player 1 left
X	65278	253	player 1 right
P	57342	254	player 2 up
L	49150	253	player 2 down
M	32766	253	player 2 left
SYM	32766	251	player 2 right

HC.

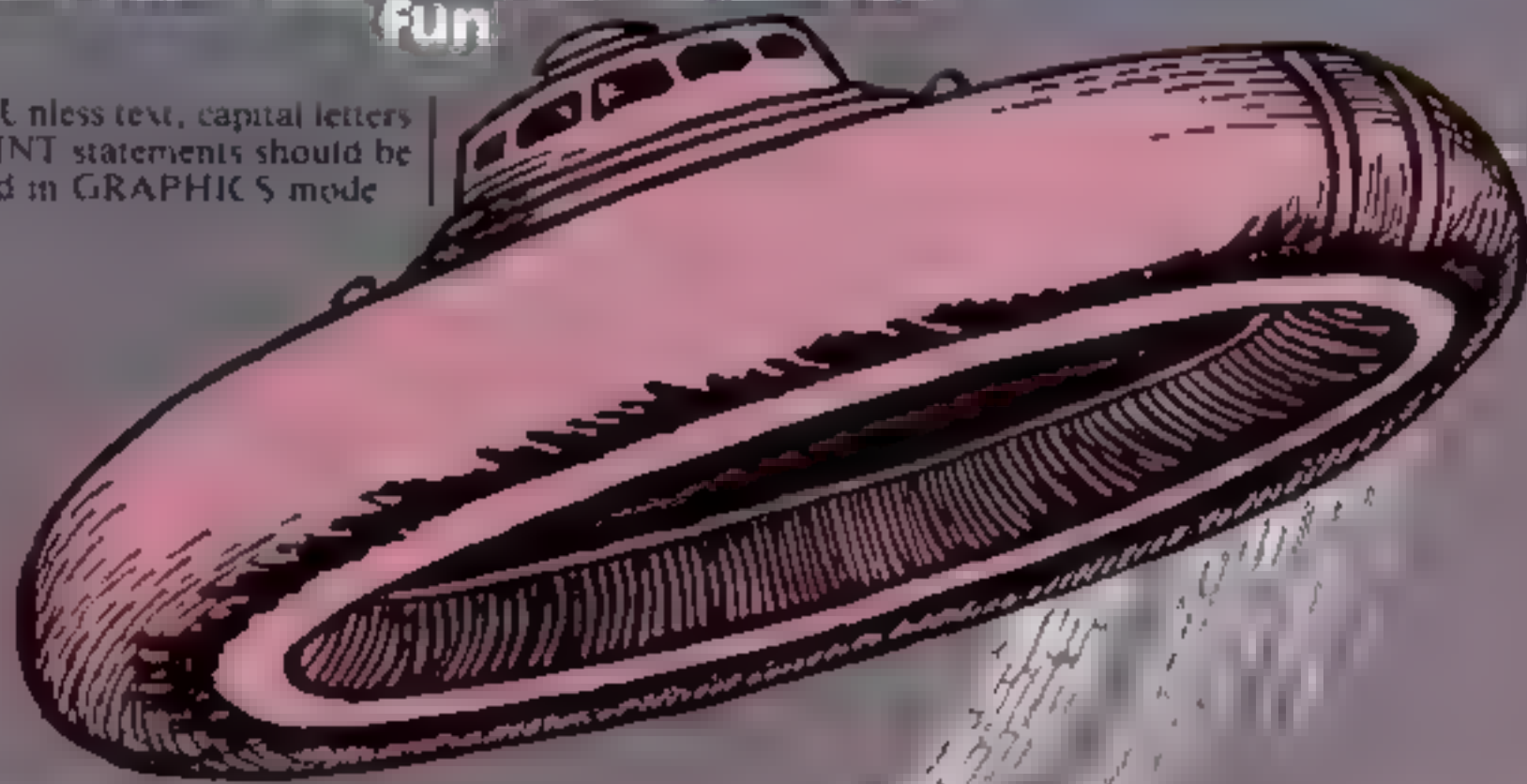
SHIFT

### Variables

f	flag used in computer move
pl	number of players
pro	flag, set to one for progressive play
r	level of play
Arrays:	
a(2,4)	values from movements ports
b(2,4)	ports for movement
c(2)	players selected colours
h(2)	players vertical position
m(2)	players game scores
s(2)	up-down movement flags, 1 for up, +1 for down
t(2)	left/right movement flags, 1 for left, +1 for right
v(2)	players horizontal position
p\$(2,8)	player identification
q\$(6,7)	colours

Three programs with three challenges. All of them run on either model of the Spectrum. Just type them in for hours of fun

Note: Unless text, capital letters in PRINT statements should be entered in GRAPHICS mode



Listing 1 - Mind Your Head

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10 RANDOMIZE : RESTORE : INK 7: BORDER 1: PAPER 1: CLS : GO TO 5000
20 LET t(x)=0: LET s(x)=1-(2 AND RND*.5): IF ATTR (h(x)+s(x),v(x)+t(x))<>120 T
HEN LET s(x)=(s(x)=1)-(s(x)=1)
30 GO TO 150-f1
40 LET s(x)=0: LET t(x)=1-(2 AND RND*.5): IF ATTR (h(x)+s(x),v(x)+t(x))<>120 T
HEN LET t(x)=(t(x)=1)-(t(x)=1)
50 GO TO 150-f1
60 LET x=1
70 IF IN 64510+IN 65022+IN 65278=765 THEN GO TO 150
80 IF IN b(x,1)=a(x,1) THEN LET s(x)=1: LET t(x)=0: GO TO 150
90 IF IN b(x,2)=a(x,2) THEN LET s(x)=1: LET t(x)=0: GO TO 150
100 IF IN b(x,3)=a(x,3) THEN LET s(x)=0: LET t(x)=1: GO TO 150
110 IF IN b(x,4)=a(x,4) THEN LET s(x)=0: LET t(x)=1
120 GO TO 150
130 IF RND>.92 THEN LET f1=10: GO TO 20+(20 AND t(x)=0)
140 IF ATTR (h(x)+s(x),v(x)+t(x))<>120 THEN LET f1=0: GO TO 20+(20 AND t(x)=0)
150 PRINT INK c(x):AT h(x),v(x)
160 LET v(x)=v(x)+t(x): LET h(x)=h(x)+s(x)
170 IF ATTR (h(x),v(x))<>120 THEN GO TO 1000
180 PRINT INK c(x):AT h(x),v(x):("B" AND t(x)=1)+("C" AND t(x)=1)+("D" AND s(x)=1)+("E" AND s(x)=1)
190 BEEP .005,10: BEEP .005,0
200 LET x=x+1: IF pl=1 AND x=2 THEN GO TO 170
210 IF x=2 AND IN 57342+IN 49150+IN 32766=765 THEN GO TO 170
220 GO TO 150 +f1
998 REM *** END OF GAME AND ***
999 REM *** DISPLY OF SCORE ***
1000 PRINT AT 3,4: PAPER c(x): INK 9: FLASH 1:p$(x)" lost its head "
1010 LET x=x-1: IF x=0 THEN LET f1=0
1020 LET s(x)=s(x)+1
1030 FOR y=10 TO 20: BEEP .005,y: NEXT y
1040 BEEP .4,-25
1050 PRINT INK 9:AT 5,3: PAPER c(x):p$(x)
1060 PRINT FLASH 1:AT 7,6:m(1),AT 7,6:m(2)
1070 PRINT #0:AT 1,0:"Continue to contest"
1080 LET z$=INKEY$
1090 IF z$="n" THEN GO TO 1500
1100 IF z$="y" THEN LET r=r+pr:GO TO 5000
1110 GO TO 1000
1499 REM *** END OF CONTEST ***
1500 IF p$(2,1)="S" THEN LET p$(2,1)="M"
1510 CLS : GO TO 1540+10*(m(1)+m(2))-10+m(1)
1520 LET m=m(2) m(1)
1530 PRINT AT 2,0:"Congratulations " p$(1) " The winner by "m(1) " game 115" AND
m(x)>1):": GO TO 1600
1540 PRINT AT 2,0:"Celebrations all round " p$(1) " draw " GO TO 1600
    
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# SPECTRUM PROGRAM

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1000 FOR I=USR F TO UCR I++ READ : FOR I,0: NEXT I
1010 DATA 1,3,174,174 14,174,1 0
1020 DATA 0,1,8,194, 3, 5,174,170,108
1030 DATA 179,129,189,795,189,189,129,129
1040 DATA 0,66,24,60,60,24,66,0
1050 DATA 10,0,40,2,144,4, 0
1060 DATA 72,0,84,1,40,1 0,0,0
1070 DATA 129,66,0,0,0,0,60,1,9
1080 DATA 7,7,15,7,1,6,7,1,15
1090 DATA 192,24,740,43,4,250,743,240
1100 IF -
5070 PRINT AT 17,7: INI 0: FLASH 1:"OVERLOAD OVER, AND OVERLOAD
5080 FOR O=22508 TO 25511: FOR E 0,144: NEXT O
6000 PAPER 7: INI 0: BORDER 0: BRIGHT 1 LASH 1 CLS
6010 BORDER 0
6020 FOR I=50 TO 57: BEEP I
6030 BEEP 3.05,
6040 NEXT I
6050 FOR J 1 TO 70
6060 BEEP 0.05,10 BEEP 0.05, 10 BEEP 0.05, 10
6070 NEXT J
6080 FA ER 0: BORDER 0: BRIGHT 0: INI 0: LASH 0 CLS
6110 C'S
6120 IF NO C THEN LET NO I FRIN 1: INI 0: LASH 0 CLS
6130 PRINT AT 10,1: HI E FF 0
6140 PRINT AT 10,1: HI E FF 0
6150 PRINT AT 10,1: HI E FF 0
6160 PRINT AT 10,1: HI E FF 0
6170 PRINT AT 10,1: HI E FF 0
6180 PRINT AT 10,1: HI E FF 0
6190 PRINT AT 10,1: HI E FF 0
6200 PRINT AT 10,1: HI E FF 0
6210 PRINT AT 10,1: HI E FF 0
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6230 PRINT AT 10,1: HI E FF 0
6240 PRINT AT 10,1: HI E FF 0
6250 PRINT AT 10,1: HI E FF 0
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8000 PRINT AT 10,1: HI E FF 0
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# Brave the ancient curse... and test your memory

## Variables

AA%-AZ% used as flags to test actions  
 P% current location  
 E% tests if item is there  
 S%(x,y) holds map  
 QS(X) describes locations  
 GS(x) describes items  
 B%(x,1) pointer to items  
 NS(X) words understood  
 N%(X) pointer to word  
 ZS,BS,CS,DS words entered  
 LS second word entered  
 XS messages when lose game  
 R holds check for item  
 Other variables are used in FOR...NEXT loops

## Pharaoh's Curse

For many years now, I have searched for the legendary Pyramid of Ramisis and now I have found it!

## Hints on conversion

- The main REPEAT UNTIL loop will need to be replaced with a goto loop: delete 140 and change line 580 to IF P% < 21 THEN GOTO 140
- All PROCedures will need to be replaced by GOSLB line number following the DEFPROC statement
- ENDPROCs will have to be replaced by RETURN
- REPEAT UNTIL GET = 32 can be replaced with 740 AS = INKEY\$ IF AS <> "" THEN 750
- Integer variables A% -Z% have been widely used because they work much faster on the BBC/ELECTRON. You can leave the % sign off all variables.
- The biggest problem occurs when you try to enter lines longer than 40 characters. Many computers will not allow these to be entered. You will need to split these lines into two lines and if they start with an IF THEN statement, the second line will need to start with the same conditional statement.
- The characters CHR\$129-135 are used to define the colour of the text. These are identical to the colours on the Oric, but will need to be changed or omitted on other computers.
- The data in line 690 is for the music at the start of the game and can be left out completely if required.
- Time delays have been introduced using TIME=0, REPEAT UNTIL TIME>150. This may be replaced with WAIT, PAUSE OR SIMPLY A FOR X = 1 TO 10000 : NEXT X loop, depending on your machine.

Will you survive to reach the fabulous Sapphire of Ramisis? And how's your memory? Two great games for the BBC and Electron by Simon Lucas

I am at this very moment standing on the steps and within a few hours I hope to be outside the temple with the famed Sapphire of Ramisis

There is just one small problem! When I arrived, I had five assistants and each of them died on entering the pyramid

Please help me to survive by giving me instructions in the form of two word sentences such as GET FOOD etc

The program runs in MODE 7 in the BBC micro which allows multiple colours to be used, whereas in the Electron, it works in MODE 6 with red background

These are among the words that are recognised LOOK, SCORE, INVENTORY, SAY, TALK, ASK, EAT, DRINK, RUB, GO GET, TAKE, GRAB, DROP, LEAVE, PUT, IN, OUT, NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, WEST, UP, DOWN, JUMP, CLIMB, UNLOCK, KILL, CUT, ATTACK, DESTROY, PULL, PUSH, OPEN, THROW, HELP, EXAMINE, SEARCH, WAIT, DIG

## How It works

- 50 disables escape
- 60 error handling routine loses game
- 70 disable break
- 80 DIMension arrays
- 90 choses MODE 7 for BBC and MODE 6 with red colour for Electron
- 100 disables cursor
- 120 initialises variables
- 130 calls titles PROCedure
- 140-580 main control loop which repeats until location 21 is reached
- 150-330 describe locations, items to be seen and directions you can go
- 340 inputs response
- 350-570 call PROCedure appropriate to action. These use names which describe their action, e.g. PROCget GETs item
- 590-630 win game
- 640-1030 title, instructions, fill arrays
- 1040-2220 PROCedures for various actions





# BBC ELECTRON PROGRAMS

Clues: read these only when you are completely stuck:

- You can only swim one way!
- Don't drop the lamp!
- Read the writing, it will tell you a secret password which you can say to the face
- Throw the rope at the metal loop
- Don't drop the phial or open the casket or get reptile
- Don't walk into the spider's web!
- Don't push the panel unless you are holding the sapphire
- Pull the level and go back up the steps

## Underwater Reaction

This is a game of memory for the BBC/Electron computers in which the computer will display a random sequence of deep sea monsters, together with appropriate sounds, in the four corners of the screen.

Your task is to repeat the sequence using the keys R, Y, C, B.

Each time you correctly repeat a sequence, the next sequence gets longer. You will lose if you are too slow.

### Hints on conversion

This would be quite complex to convert to other machines because variables are passed to PROCedures. It could be achieved by replacing all procedures with subroutines and the numbers in brackets with LET statements.

Envelopes are used on the BBC to define the sound effects and can be completely left out or replaced with suitable sound effects REPEAT... UNTIL loops will need to be replaced with GOTO loops acting upon the condition, e.g. 260 IF (A < 49 AND A > 50) THEN GOTO 250

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10REM ** PHARAOH'S CURSE **
20REM ** an adventure game for the BBC/Electron comp
uters **
30REM ** by Steve M. Lucas Feb 1984 **
40REM ** don't add the next three lines until you a
re sure that you have fully debugged the program and th
en SAVE a copy before running it
50 *FX229,1
60ON ERROR XS="The mummy of Ramsis just strangled =
":PROCclose
70*KEY 10 OLD M RUN IM
80DIM SX(21,4),DS(21),XS(140),GS(70),VS(4),BX(30,1),N
$(30),NX(30)
90MODE7:VDU19,0,1,0,0,0
100VDU23,1,0;0;0;0;0;
110REM ** above line selects MODE 7 with colour for B
BC and MODE 6 with RED background for ELECTRON **
120AAZ=0:ABZ=0:ACZ=0:ADZ=0:AEZ=0:AFZ=0:AGZ=0:AHZ=0:AI
Z=0:AJZ=0:AKZ=0:ALZ=0:AMZ=0:ANZ=0:AQZ=0:APZ=0:ARZ
=0:ASZ=0:ATZ=0:AUZ=0:AVZ=0:AXZ=0:AYZ=0:AZZ=0:SZ=0:PX=1
130PROCtitles
140 REPEAT
150k=0
160IFPX>1AND ABZ<>1THENXS="It's too dark in here with
out a lamp in my hand":PROCclose
170 IFPX=11THENPRINT"I could be here forever!"
180IX=IX+1
190IFIX>75THENPRINT"A voice booms out 'You've been he
re long enough'"
200:FIX>100THENXS="I did warn you.. You've been here
long enough!!!":PROCclose
210PRINT CHR$(131);"I am "; DS(PX)
220AS="";IFSX(PX,1)>0THENAS="North"
230IFSX(PX,2)>0ANDLEN(AS)>0THENAS=AS+",South" ELSEIF SX
(PX,2)>0THENAS="South"
240IFSX(PX,3)>0ANDLEN(AS)>0THENAS=AS+",East" ELSEIF SX
(PX,3)>0THENAS="East"
250IFSX(PX,4)>0ANDLEN(AS)>0THENAS=AS+",West" ELSEIF SX
(PX,4)>0THENAS="West"
260IFPX=1THENAS="In" ELSEIFPX=2THENAS=AS+" Down, Out"
ELSE IFPX=4THENAS=AS+",Up"
270IFPX=1ANDAS=""THENAS="I can't go anywhere!"
280PRINT CHR$(129);"I can go 1-5"AS
290E=0:FORIX=1TO15:PPX=0:IFBX(IX,1)=PXTHENPPX=1
300IFPPX=1THENJ20
310NEXTI:GOTO340
320IFE=0THENPRINTCHR$(134);"I can see 1-6"
330PRINTGS(IX):E=E+1:GOTO310
340PRINT CHR$(135);"What should I do now?":INPUTZ0
350CLS:VDU7
360B=LEFT$(Z0,2):C=LEFT$(Z0,3):D=LEFT$(Z0,4)
370IFC="LOQ"THENK=1ELSEIFC="SCQ"THENPRINT"Thim isn't
a game you know!":K=1
380IFC="INV"THEN=1:PROCInventory
390IFC="SAY"ORC="TAL"ORC="ASH"THENPROC'say
400IFC="EAT"THENPRINT"Don't be silly there's no food
here!":K=1 ELSEIFC="DR"THENPRINT"what a shame there's
nothing to drink here!":K=1 ELSEIFC="RUB"THENPRINT"do
n't be a silly billy!":K=1
410IF(BS="N"ORBS="GO N")ANDSX(PX,1)>0THENPX=SX(PX,1):
K=1
420IF(BS="S"ORBS="GO S")ANDSX(PX,2)>0THENPX=SX(PX,2):
K=1

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**How it works**  
90-110 disable break and escape keys. Don't type these in until the program is fully debugged  
120 turns off cursor  
130 calls PROCedure to define characters  
140-150 set variables and set keyboard repeat  
160 calls PROCedure to define envelopes  
180 reads data into array  
200 defines maximum length of BS to be 200 characters  
210-220 define & select colours, set score to zero  
230-270 select difficulty level  
280-300 initialise variables, turn off cursor and choose mode  
310-390 main control loop  
320 calls PROCedure to choose at random  
330 calls PROCedure to display character  
350 calls PROCedure for your try  
360 response for too slow!  
370 response for incorrect sequence  
380 increase score  
400-490 give score  
510-840 define characters  
830-930 plot one type of graphics  
940-990 define envelopes for sound  
1000-1090 plot graphics 2  
110-1190 plot graphics 3  
1200-1280 plot graphics 4  
1300-1350 choose at random  
1370-1470 plot appropriate graphics in selected colour  
1480-1670 your turn  
1680-1920 instructions and data

**Main variables**  
X%, Y% plotting coordinates  
SC% score  
Z% colour

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430IF(BS="E"ORBS="GO E")ANDSX(PX,3)>0THENPX=SX(PX,3):
K=1
440IF(BS="W"ORBS="GO W")ANDSX(PX,4)>0THENPX=SX(PX,4):
K=1
450IFK=0AND(BS="N"ORBS="S"ORBS="E"ORBS="W")THENPRINT"
I can't go that way!":K=1
460IFC="ROW"ORC="SAI"THENPRINT"I'd need a boat!":K=1
1 ELSEIFC="UP"ORBS="U"ORBS="GO U"THENK=1:PROCup
470 IFC="DOWN"ORBS="D"ORBS="GO D"THENK=1:PROCdown ELS
E IFC="REA"THENK=1:PROCread
480 IFC="IN"ORBS="I"ORBS="GO I"THENK=1:PROCin ELSEIF
C="OUT"ORBS="GO O"ORBS="O"THENK=1:PROCout
490IFC="UNL"THENK=1:PROCunlock ELSEIFC="KIL"ORC="A
TT"ORC="DES"THENPROCkill
500IFC="PRA"THENPRINT"That made me feel better!":K=1
ELSEIFC="CUT"THENPROCcut ELSEIFC="PUS"THENK=1:PROCpu
ll
510IFC="DPE"THENK=1:PROCopen ELSEIFC="THR"THENK=1:PR
OCthrow ELSEIFC="HEL"THENK=1:PROChelp
520IFC="GET"ORC="TAK"ORC="GRA"THENK=1:PROCget
530IFC="DRD"ORC="LEA"ORC="PUT"THENK=1:PROCdrop
540IFC="EXA"THENK=1:PROCexamine ELSEIFC="SEA"THENK=
1:PROCsearch ELSEIFC="SW"THENK=1:PROCswim ELSEIFBS="F
U"ORBS="PI"THENXS="How dare you speak like that says a
voice from above!":PROCclose
550IFC="MAI"THENK=1:PROWait ELSEIFC="CLI"THENK=1:PR
OCclimb ELSEIFC="DIB"THENPRINT"I have no spade!":K=1 E
LSEIFC="JUM"ORC="DIV"THENK=1:PROCjump
560 IFC="PUL"THENK=1:PROCpull
570IFK=0THENPRINT"I'm sorry I don't seem to understan

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d you"  
580 UNTIL PX=21  
590CLS:PRINTCHR\$(138)"You are standing outside the Pyra  
mid" CHR\$(131)"WELL DONE...you have found the"  
600PRINT CHR\$(129)"famous "CHR\$(130);"Sapphire of Ramsi  
s."  
610PRINT SPC4;"and have solved this adventure!"  
620RESTORE:FORX=1TO12:READD: SOUND1,-10,0,4:NEXT  
630 END  
640DEFPROCtitles  
650CLS:PRINTTAB(9,2);CHR\$(131);"PHARAOH'S CURSE"

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670 RESTORE
680 FORX=1TO17:READ D: SOUND 1,-10,0,4:NEXT
690DATA 53,69,53,69,69,53,97,69,81,73,69,61,53,89,53,
89,53
700PRINT""For many years, I have searched for the P
yramid of Ramsis and now I have found it!"
710PRINT"I am at this very moment standing on thestep
s of this famous temple and within a few hours I hope
to have found the sapphire of Ramsis."
720PRINT"There is just one small problem, when I arri
ved I had five assistants and each of them has died as
soon as they enteredthe pyramid. Please help me to sur
vive and find the sapphire by giving me"
730PRINT"instructions in the form of two word sent
ences such as GET FOOD etc."
740 PRINT CHR$(129)" Press the";CHR$(131);"<SPACE BAR>"

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;CHR$129;"to start.";
750 REPEAT UNTIL GET=32:CLS
760 FOR X=1TO21:READQ$(X):FORY=1TO4:READSX(X,Y):NEXT
Y,X
770FORX=1TO15:READG$(X),BZ(XZ,1):NEXT
780 FORX=1TO10:READNS(XZ),NZ(XZ):NEXT
790DATAstanding at the entrance of the famous Pyrami
d of Ramisis,0,0,0,0
800DATAstanding in a small chamber. Steps lead down f
rom here.,0,0,0,0
810 DATAin an ornate chamber. There is a statue of th
e Pharaoh Ramisis in here.,0,0,0,2
820DATAat the bottom of some steps. A gently slopin
g passage leads South from here.,0,5,0,0
830DATAat the edge of a deep precipice., There is a l
ight on the South side.,4,0,0,0
840DATAin a small chamber. The walls have strang
e inscriptions on them.,0,0,0,3
850DATAat the South side of a deep precipice. A narr
ow wooden plank stretches across.,3,0,0,0
860DATAon a narrow ledge on the south side of a deep
precipice.,0,9,0,7
870DATAin a downward sloping passage.,0,10,0,0
880DATAin a vast cavern. The walls are lined with s
trange and menacing faces.,9,0,11,12
890DATAtrapped in a giant spider's web which is hangi
ng from the ceiling.,0,0,0,0
900DATAat the edge of a subterranean lake,0,0,10,0
910DATAin a small cavern. There is a small lake to the
North.,0,14,0,0
920DATAin the anteroom of Sabar. There is a golden
face on the wall.,13,0,0,0
930 DATAin a secret passage.,0,16,0,14
940 DATAat the South end of a narrow passage. A wider
passage leads East.,15,0,17,0
950 DATAin a vast cavern full of small insects which
are crawling all over the walls and ceiling.,8,18,0,
16
960 DATAat the bottom of a sheer rock face,17,0,0,0
970 DATAat the top of a rock face. The drop is enorm
ous. A passage leads West,0,0,0,20
980 DATAby a panel. A voice says 'BEWARE only those
who possess the SAPPHIRE may proceed ,0,0,19,0
990 DATAoutside the Pyramid with a valuable Sapphire
,0,21,21,21
1000 DATAa coil of rope,1,a lantern,1,a narrow plank
of wood,3,a plaque with writing on it,6,a golden statue
,5,a small reptile,4,a spider's web,10
1010 DATAa sharp knife,3,The Sapphire of Ramisis,17,a
metal loop hanging from above,18,an effigy of Ramisis,2
0,a small casket,14,a small phial,3,a bird,9,a small le
ver,4
1020DATA COIL,1,ROPE,1,LANTERN,2,PLANK,3,WOOD,3,PLAQUE
,4,STATUE,5,REPTILE,6,WEB,7,KNIFE,8,SAPPHIRE,9,METAL,10
,LOOP,10,EFFIGY,11,CASKET,12,PHIAL,13,BIRD,14,LEVER,15
1030ENDPROC
1040DEFPROCget
1050K=1:PROCcheck
1060IFLX<>1THENENDPROC
1070EX=0
1080FORHX=1TO15:IFB$(HX,1)=PXANDB$(NX(R),1)=PXTHENEX=1
1090 NEXT
1100IFEX=0THENPRINT"I can't see it here":ENDPROC
1110IFR=10RR=2THENAAZ=1 ELSEIFR=3THENABZ=1 ELSEIFR=4OR
R=5THENACZ=1
1120IFR=6THENPRINT"It's bolted to the wall":ENDPROC E
LSEIFR=7THENPRINT"It's too heavy":ENDPROC
1130IFR=8THENX$="It bites me.. venom surges through my
veins.";PROCclose
1140IFR=9THENPRINT"Don't be silly":ENDPROC
1150IFR=11THENADZ=1
1160IFR=12ORR=13ORR=14THENPRINT"Don't be ridiculous":
ENDPROC
1170IFR=15THENAEZ=1 ELSEIFR=16THENAFZ=1
1180IFR=17THENPRINT"It flies away":ENDPROC ELSEIFR=18
THENPRINT"Don't be silly":ENDPROC
1190EX=0:FOROX=1TO3:IFV$(OX)=""THENV$(OX)=G$(NX(R)):EX
=1:OX=5
1200NEXT
1210IFEX=0THENPRINT"I'm sorry my hands are full":ENDP
ROC
1220BZ(NX(R),1)=0:ENDPROC
1230DEFPROCcheck
1240L$="":FORHX=1TOLEN(Z$)
1250IFMID$(Z$,HX,1)="" THENL$=RIGHT$(Z$, (LEN(Z$)-HX)):
HX=HX+40
1260NEXT
1270R=0:LZ=0:IFLEN(L$)<2THENENDPROC
1280FORHX=1TO10:IFLEFT$(N$(HX),LEN(L$))=L$ THENLX=1:R=
HX
1290NEXT
1300ENDPROC
1310DEFPROCdrop
1320PROCcheck
1330IFLX<>1THENPRINT"I can't see a :-":L$:ENDPROC
1340EX=0
1350FOROX=1TO3

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1360IFV$(OX)=G$(NX(R))THENV$(OX)=""EX=1
1370NEXT:IFEX<>1THENPRINT"I haven't got it":ENDPROC
1380BZ(NX(R),1)=PZ
1390IFR=10RR=2THENAAZ=0 ELSEIFR=3THENABZ=0 ELSEIFR=11T
HENADZ=0 ELSEIFR=15THENAEZ=0 ELSEIFR=16THENAFZ=0
1400IF(R=4ORR=5)ANDPZ=5THENQ$(5)="by a deep precipice.
A plank stretches to the far side.":S$(5,2)=7
1410IF(R=4ORR=5)THENACZ=0
1420IFR=16THENX$="The Phial breaks and a poisonous gas
envelopes me":PROCclose
1430ENDPROC
1440DEFPROCinventory
1450K=1:PRINTCHR$(131);"I have : "
1460FX=0:FORHX=1TO3:IFV$(HX)<>""THENPRINTV$(HX):FX=1
1470NEXT:IFFX=0THENPRINT"Not a thing"
1480ENDPROC
1490DEFPROChelp
1500K=1:PRINT"I'm sorry I can't think of anything":EN
DPROC
1510DEFPROCin
1520K=1:IFPX=1THENPX=2:PRINT"O.K. I go in":ENDPROC
1530 PRINT"I can't do that just yet":ENDPROC
1540DEFPROCdown
1550K=1:IFPX=2THENPX=4:PRINT"O.K. I go down":ENDPROC E
LSEIFPX=5ORPX=7ORPX=8ORPX=9THENX$="I fall to my death"
:PROCclose
1560PRINT"I can't do that here dummy":ENDPROC
1570DEFPROCout
1580K=1
1590IFPX=2THENX$="A VOICE BOOMS OUT... How dare you t
ry to leave the temple.. and a surge of power runs
through my body":PROCclose
1600PRINT"I can't do that here":ENDPROC
1610 DEFPROCclose
1620RESTORE:K=1:CLS:PRINT X$;"I am dead":FORX=1TO12
:READ D:SOUND1, 10,0,3:NEXT
1630PRINT CHR$(129);"Would you like to play again Y/N
, ?"
1640REPEAT: A$=GET$:
1650 UNTIL A$="Y"OR A$="N"
1660IF A$="Y"THENRUN ELSEPRINT""THANK YOU FOR PLAYING.
.. GOODBYE"";END
1670ENDPROC
1680DEFPROCup
1690K=1:IFPX=4THENPX=2:PRINT"I climb the stairs":ENDPR
OC
1700 IFPX=10 THENPRINT"I'd need something to CLIMB up'
":ENDPROC
1710PRINT"Don't be silly":ENDPROC
1720DEFPROCswim
1730K=1:IFPX=12THENPX=13:PRINT"I swim across ":ENDPROC
1740IFPX=13THENX$="A weird fish swims over and eats a
y fish":PROCclose
1750PRINT"Don't be absurd":ENDPROC
1760DEFPROCpull
1770IFPX<>4THENPRINT"I can't do that here":ENDPROC
1780IFAGZ=0THENAGZ=1:PRINT"I hear a distant rumbling."
:Q$(2)=Q$(2)+" a secret panel has moved to one sid
e":S$(2,3)=3
1790ENDPROC
1800DEFPROCread
1810K=1:IFPX=6THENPRINT"when translated it reads 'BEWA
RE OF THE FISH'"there is also a strange lookin word"
"FINGLDWIAN":ENDPROC
1820DEFPROCopen
1830IFAEZ<>1THENPRINT"I can't see anything to open":E
NDPROC
1840X$="A venomous spider crawls out and bites me":P
ROCclose
1850ENDPROC
1860DEFPROCexamine
1870PRINT"I can't see anything special":ENDPROC
1880DEFPROCsearch
1890K=1:PRINT"Try as I might I can't find anything
here":ENDPROC
1900DEFPROCcut
1910K=1:IFPX=11THENPRINT"The web is too difficult to
cut":ENDPROC
1920PRINT"That's not the right approach":ENDPROC
1930DEFPROCthrow
1940IFPX=10ANDAAZ=1THENPRINT"The rope catches on the h
ook":Q$(10)=Q$(10)+" A rope hangs from above"
1950IFPX=10ANDAAZ=1THENAAZ=2:Y=0:REPEAT Y=Y+1:UNTILV$(
Y)=G$(1):V$(Y)=""ENDPROC
1960PRINT"Don't be silly":ENDPROC
1970DEFPROCclimb
1980K=1:IFPX<>10THENPRINT"I can't do that here":ENDPR
OC
1990IFAEZ<>2THENPRINT"I can't do that just yet":ENDPR
OC
2000PRINT"I climb the rope":PX=19:ENDPROC
2010DEFPROCpush
2020K=1:IFPX<>20THENPRINT"Not here":ENDPROC
2030IFADZ<>1THENX$="I did warn you" says a voice.:PR
OCclose
2040PX=21:PRINT"O.K.":ENDPROC
2050DEFPROCunlock

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2060K=1:PRINT"I can see nothing to unlock!":ENDPROC
2070DEFPROCkill
2080K=1:XS="A mummy sneaks up behind me before I have
chance to attack!":PROCclose
2090ENDPROC
2100DEFPROCsay
2110K=1:IFPX<6THENXS="You have waken the god from his
rest" boose a voice!":PROCclose
2120IFPX=14THENPRINTCHR$(13)"What would you like to say
";:INPUTZ$:IFZ$="FINGLOWIAN"THENPRINT"I will show you
a secret passage" says a voice!":PX=15:ENDPROC
2130IFPX=14THENXS="YOU BOT IT WRONG"...SAYS A VOICE":P
ROCclose
2140 PRINT"I talk but nobody listens":ENDPROC
2150 DEFPROCwait
2160F=1:TIME=0
2170PRINT"D.K."
2180REPEAT UNTIL TIME>150
2190ENDPROC
2200DEFPROCjump
2210K=1:IFPX=19ORPX=20ORPX=30ORPX=60ORPX=70ORPX=8THENXS="I
jump and break my neck!":PROCclose
2220 PRINT"I can't do that here!":ENDPROC

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10 REM *****
20 REM **
30 REM ** A game of memory **
40 REM ** for the ACORN ELECTRON **
50 REM ** and BBC model B computers **
60 REM ** S.W. Lucas Jan 1984 **
70 REM *****
80 REM ** DO NOT ADD THE NEXT THREE LINES UNTIL YOU
HAVE FULLY DEBUGGED THE PROGRAM .. AND THEN SAVE A COP
Y BEFORE RUNNING IT
90 *LEY 10 OLD M RUN.M
100 ON ERROR RUN
110 *FX229,1
120 VDU23,1,0;0;0;0;
130 PROCchars
140 PXX=15
150 *FX11,0
160 PROCenvelope
170 DIMX(6)
180 FORX=1TO6:READX(X):NEXT
190 MODE1:PROCinstructions
200 H$=STRING$(200," ")
210 VDU19,1,3,0,0,0
220 SCX=0:COLOUR1
230 PRINTTAB(1,10);"Enter the difficulty level (1-2)"

240 REPEAT
250 A=GET
260 UNT(LA=49ORA=50
270 IFA=49THENPXX=200ELSE PXX=100
280 SCX=0:ACX=0:B$=""
290 MODE2
300 VDU23,1,0;0;0;0;
310 REPEAT
320 PROCchoose
330 *FX15,0
340 CLS:PROCgame
350 CLS:PROCTry
360 IF TTX:PXXTHENCLS:COLOUR1:PRINTTAB(6,10)X$(6):COL
OUR2:PRINTTAB(2,20)"Your score was ";SCX:SOUND1,1,15,30
:COLOUR5:PRINTTAB(1,25)"Press <SPACE BAR>":REPEAT UNTI
L GET=32:RUN
370 IFA$(<)MID$(B$,ZX,1) THENCLS:COLOUR1:PRINTTAB(6,
1);X$(4):GOTO400
380 SCX=SCX+1:PXX=PXX-5:IFPXX<70 THENPXX=70
390 UNTILACX=0
400 TIME=0:REPEAT UNTIL TIME=100:CLS:PRINTTAB(0,10)X
$(5):TIME=0
410 REPEAT UNTIL TIME>100
420 CLS:PROCgame
430 TIME=0:REPEAT UNTIL TIME>100
440 CLS:COLOUR1:PRINTTAB 1,10)"You scored : "
450 COLOUR3:PRINTTAB(15,10);SCX
460 SOUND1,1,45,20
470 COLOUR6:PRINTTAB(0,17)"Press <SPACE BAR >"
480 REPEAT UNTIL GET=32
490 RUN
500 END
510 DEFPROCchars
520 VDU23,224,0,0,0,0,0,0,1,7
530 VDU23,225,0,0,31,63,127,243,225,243
540 VDU23,226,0,0,192,224,240,255,255,255
550 VDU23,227,0,16,16,16,48,240,240,240
560 VDU23,230,30,240,7,120,0,0,0,0
570 VDU23,231,63,255,255,127,63,31,0,0
580 VDU23,232,255,255,240,240,224,192,0,0
590 VDU23,233,240,240,112,112,48,16,16,0
600 VDU23,234,0,0,1,1,3,7,7,7
610 VDU23,235,0,126,255,255,24,24,255,195

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620 VDU23,236,0,0,120,120,192,224,224,224
630 VDU23,237,255,231,207,144,161,163,162,160
640 VDU23,238,109,255,255,129,120,0,0,0
650 VDU23,239,255,231,235,17,137,201,73,9
660 VDU23,240,0,31,63,99,79,127,96,64
670 VDU23,241,0,195,195,227,243,219,27,27
680 VDU23,242,2,227,227,231,107,103,103,103
690 VDU23,243,64,64,64,0,0,0,0,0
700 VDU23,244,31,15,15,0,0,0,0,0
710 VDU23,245,99,102,102,54,54,54,62,14
720 VDU23,246,0,20,42,127,54,20,0,20
730 VDU23,247,4,68,76,18,201,74,17,7
740 VDU23,248,,7,10,20,40,07,164,200,112
750 VDU23,249,62,54,54,54,127,99,99,65
760 VDU23,250,17,33,197,0,17,34,68,68
770 VDU23,251,72,68,195,160,00,36,10,17
780 VDU27,255,255,255,255,255,255,255,255,255
790 REM ** FISH graphics = VDU224,225,226,227,10,0,0
,0,0,0,228,229,230,231,232,233 **
800 REM ** CRAB graphics = VDU234,235,236,10,0,0,0,2
37,238,239 **
810 REM ** SNAKE graphics = VDU240,241,242,10,0,0,0,
243,244,245 **
820 REM ** fish2 graphics =VDU246,10,0,249
830 REM ** JELLY FISH graphics = VDU247,248,10,0,0,2
50,251
840 ENDPROC
850 DEFPROCjelly(XZ,YZ,ZZ)
860 VDU5:GCOLOR,ZZ
870 MOVE XZ,YZ
880 VDU247,240,10,0,0,250,251,4
890 SOUND1,-15,5,PXX/15
900 FOR X=1TO PXX*10:NEXTX
910 CLS
920 VDU23,1,0;0;0;0;
930 ENDPROC
940 DEFPROCenvelope
950 REM ** define the envelopes **
960 ENVELOPE 4,12,10,0,6,4,0,0,126,0,0,126,126,126
970 ENVELOPE2,1,5,0,0,25,0,0,126,0,0,-126,126,126
980 ENVELOPE 1,1,43,0,0,100,0,0,126,0,0,-126,126,126

1000 DEFPROCcrab(XZ,YZ,ZZ)
1010 REM choose colour ZZ
1020 VDU5:GCOLOR,ZZ
1030 MOVE XZ,YZ
1040 VDU234,235,236,10,0,0,0,237,238,239,4
1050 SOUND1,-13,53,PXX/15
1060 FORX=1TOPXX*10:NEXTX
1070 CLS
1080 VDU23,1,0;0;0;0;
1090 ENDPROC
1100 DEFPROCfish(XZ,YZ,ZZ)
1110 REM CHOOSE COLOUR ZZ
1120 VDU5:GCOLOR,ZZ
1130 MOVE XZ,YZ
1140 VDU224,225,226,227,10,0,0,0,0,0,0,228,229,230,231
,232,233,4
1150 SOUND1,15,101,PXX/15
1160 FORX=1TOPXX*10:NEXTX
1170 CLS
1180 VDU23,1,0;0;0;0;
1190 ENDPROC
1200 DEFPROCsnake(XZ,YZ,ZZ)
1210 VDU5:GCOLOR,ZZ
1220 MOVE XZ,YZ
1230 VDU240,241,242,10,0,0,0,243,244,245,4
1240 SOUND1,15,149,PXX/15
1250 FORX=1TOPXX*10:NEXTX
1260 CLS
1270 VDU23,1,0;0;0;0;
1280 ENDPROC
1290 PROCgame
1300 DEFPROCchoose
1310 REM ROUTINE TO SELECT RANDOM LETTER
1320 A=RD(4):IFA=1THENAS="R" ELSEIFA=2THENAS="Y" ELS
EIFA=3THENAS="C" ELSEIFA=4THENAS="B"
1330 IFA$=""THENPRINT"ERROR...IN LINE 5000 ":END
1340 B$=B$+A$
1350 ENDPROC
1360 DEFPROCgame
1370 VDU19,1,1,0,0,0
1380 CLS:PRINTTAB(6,10);X$(1):TIME=0:REPEATUNTILTIME=
100:CLS
1390 LET XYZ=LEN(B$):XXZ=1
1400 REPEAT:CS=MID$(B$,XXZ,1)
1410 IFC$="R"THENPROCfish(100,000,1)
1420 IFC$="Y"THENPROCsnake(900,000,2)
1430 IFC$="C"THENPROCcrab(100,200,3)
1440 IFC$="B"THENPROCjelly(900,200,4)
1450 XXZ=XXZ+1
1460 UNTIL XYZ>XYZ
1470 ENDPROC
1480 DEFPROCTry
1490 PRINTTAB(6,10),X$(2)
1500 TIME=0

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1510 REPEAT UNTIL TIME=100
1520 TIX=0
1530 CLS:ZXZ=0
1540 REPEAT
1550 TIME=0
1560 AAS=INKEY$(0)
1570 TTX=TIME
1580 IF AAS="R" OR AAS="Y" OR AAS="C" OR AAS="B" OR T
TX/PXX THEN 1600
1590 GOTO 1560
1600 ZXZ=ZXZ+1
1610 VDU:1,1,1,0,0,0
1620 IFAAS="R" THEN PROCfish(100,800,1)
1630 IFAAS="Y" THEN PROCsnake(900,800,2)
1640 IFAAS="C" THEN PROCcrab(100,200,3)
1650 IFAAS="B" THEN PROCjelly(900,200,4)
1660 UNTIL (ZXZ=LEN(B$) OR AAS<>MID$(B$,ZXZ,1) OR TTX>
PXX)
1670 ENDPROC
1680 DEFPROCinstructions
1690 CLS:PROCfish(1000,200,1):PROCfish(1000,900,1):PR
OCfish(200,200,1):PROCfish(200,900,1)

1710 COLOUR3:PRINT TAB(9) " S.W. Lucas 1984"
1720 PRINTTAB(4,20) "Press <Space Bar> to continue"
1730 REPEAT UNTIL GET=32
1740 CLS:PRINTTAB(5,5) "This is a game of memory."
1750 PRINT "Watch the screen whilst coloured fish"
1760 PRINT "flash in a random sequence in the four"
1770 PRINT "corners of the screen."
1780 COLOUR1:PRINT "You must try to repeat the sequen
ce"
1790 PRINT "using the keys: "
1800 COLOUR2:PRINTSPC(16); "R Y" SPC(16); "C B"

1810 COLOUR1:PRINTTAB(4) "Press <Space bar> to continu
e."
1820 REPEAT UNTIL GET=32
1830 CLS
1840 ENDPROC
1850 END
1860 DEFPROCfish(XZ,YZ,ZZ)
1870 VDU5:BCOL0,ZZ

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1880 MOVE XZ,YZ
1890 VDU246,10,B,249,4
1900 SOUND2,2,10,20
1910 ENDPROC
1920 DATA Match,Now Repeat,Correct',Wrong ',The correc
t sequence was:-,Too slow

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# The No.1 Football Game

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Designed by Kevin Toms

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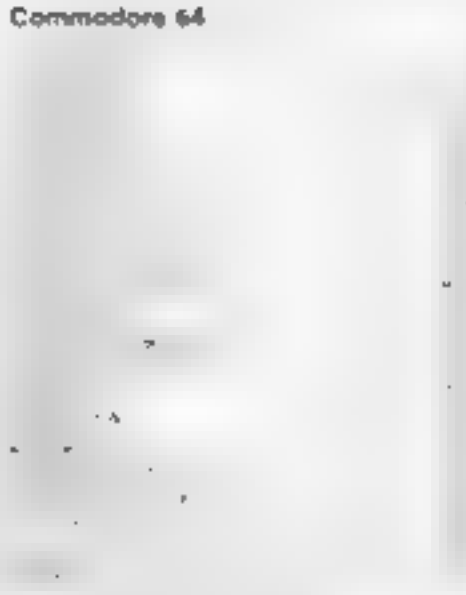
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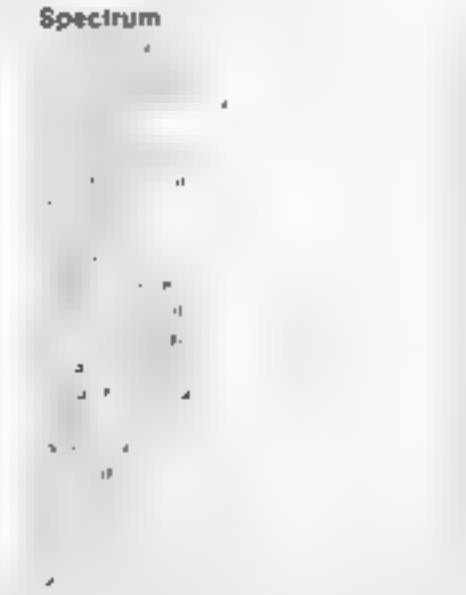
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### How it works (listing 4)

- 5 set memory limits
- 10-15 set Extended BASIC commands
- 20 set screen colours
- 30 set line colour
- 40 set POINT or LINE drawing
- 50 set X and Y shift (in case image lies off the screen)
- 80 set start angles
- 85 POKE start angles to memory
- 90-95 set and POKE perspective
- 100-146 GET a key and move to a routine
- 150-220 change angles routines
- 230-290 change perspective routines
- 500-520 POKE new values routine
- 1000-1030 draw a new image
- 2000-2370 make a Hi Res print-out
- 4000-4030 spare a print routine (to add text to the display)

Its speed is given in the 3D equation in Listing 1 — which may be useful for those with other micros — as well as custom mathematics routines and direct access to Extended BASIC LINE machine code.

If you do not have my Extended BASIC, which appeared in HCW 45-47, listing 1 will help you write the program in other BASICs.

Listing 2 POKEs custom machine code to memory.

As always, SAVE the programs before RUNNING them as one DATA mistake could be fatal. Listings 2, 3 and 4 need Extended BASIC to function and the use of custom mathematics routines mean they are long, but fast.

After listing 2 has finished,

### Main variables

- Q start of machine code registers
- M what is added/subtracted from an angle with one key press
- B1-B3 angles for X, Y and Z rotation
- A1-A6 SIN and COS values for angles B1-B3
- PX, PY, PZ perspective (PX moves image Xwards, PY Ywards, PZ for magnification)

Concluding a two-part graphics series on the Commodore 64, David Rees shows how to draw at speed using his Extended BASIC, which appeared in issues 45-47. But you can also use it if you missed those issues.

```

90 REM# 3D EQUATION #
91 REM#A1 TO A6 REPRESENT#
92 REM#IN AND COS VALUES#
93 REM# ARE CALCULATED #
100 Y1=A+A2-Z+A1 Z=Y+M1+Z+A2
120 X1=X+M4-Z+A3 Z=X+A3+Z+A4
140 X=X+A5+Y+A5 Y=X+A5+Y+A6
160 X=X+P Y=Y+PY Z=Z+PZ
180 Z=Z+Z*Z*Z*Z*Z*Z*Z*Z*Z*Z
178 REM#12 AND 14 ARE 1 MIEP#
179 REM# FOR SCREEN CENTERING #
180 X=X+Z Y=Y+Z*Z*Z*Z*Z*Z*Z*Z*Z*Z
    
```

Listing 1 — POKEs machine code to memory

```

1 REM#MACHINE CODE FOR#
2 REM# POINT TO DRAW #
3 REM# BY DAVID REES #
4 REM# FEB 1984 #
5 P=FEEL:K=FORES:G3
10 X=37:Y=0
110 F=AN=1751
120 F=AN=07055
130 REM#A C=C+A IFA=-1THE:150
140 P=IE +M+640:R=NE T
150 NE TH
160 PRINTC "IT SHOULD BE 187871"
1000 DATA104 141 64 120 141 65 123
1010 DATA102 64 120 141 114 201 2
1020 DATA108 14 140 141 65 120 238 64 123
1030 DATA103 64 123 208 209 96
1040 DATA101 3 208 146 141 27 12
1050 DATA105 115 141 29 123 185 116 141 30 123
1060 DATA105 117 141 11 120 145 118 141 33 123
1070 DATA105 119 141 14 120 145 120 141 35 123
1080 DATA105 121 141 17 123 185 122 141 36 123
1090 DATA103 141 28 123 141 32 123 141 36 123
1100 DATA103 143 173 66 120 206 24
1110 DATA141 23 3 173 23 120 141 34 3
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1150 DATA141 67 3 173 27 120 141 64 3
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1180 DATA108 19 173 61 3 205 64 206 11
1190 DATA173 62 3 205 65 3 188 2 24 144 6
1200 DATA103 65 123 213 64 141 177 64 120
1210 DATA103 1 26 76 3 146 177 177 1
    
```

Listing 3 POKEs X, Y and Z positions to memory.

These can be in the range of -63.99 to 63.99 and, unlike most machine code routines, non whole numbers can be used. The accuracy can be thought of as being + or - 16383 divided by 256.

64.0.0 signifies the end of a set of lines, and 65.0.0 means end of DATA. For those wishing to create their own objects, use the above information, and just replace the DATA with your own.

Listing 4 utilises the routine to make it easier for you to create and move the picture.

Variables in lines 80-90 can be changed to most values (range as with X, Y and Z), to change the start position of your object. For key functions, see table 1. Note that you can only print-out a screen once — to repeat this you will have to start the program again.

By changing POKE 31555 in line 30, you can change the graphics colour. Also, by changing POKE 31554 to zero, points are drawn instead of lines. If you want more advanced displays, all the features are given by POKEs in Extended Basic Part 1 (HCW 45) can be used.

### Hint on conversion

The main routine is in machine code designed for the Commodore 64 so, unless you have last week's listing 2, it is best to use listing 1 as a core routine and make your own program.

Hopefully, when you have finished, the Starship Enterprise should appear on the screen, in about five seconds.

Last week's DATA is also compatible with this program as is this DATA with last week's program.

I hope you find this routine useful and fast enough.

If you do want anything faster, what you need is a good 16 bit computer, a machine code book, money and a lot of perseverance!

### Table 1

- Q/W changes X angle
- E/R changes Y angle
- T/Y changes Z angle
- P printout to VIC 1525 printer
- D draw the shape
- 1/2 change X perspective
- 3/4 change Y perspective
- 5/6 change Z perspective















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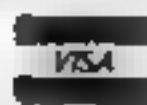
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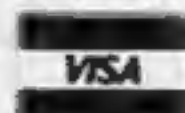
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